



South West Institute of Technology-Welding Centre of Excellence

Site (s) National College for Nuclear (Southern) – Welding Centre of Excellence Project value: £1.5M

The South West Institute of Technology is a collaboration between universities and colleges, each investing to development state-of-the-art facilities for training the next generation of highly skilled technicians and engineers. Led by Bridgwater & Taunton College, it operates as a virtual institute, with a focus on engineering, digital and construction.

Working closely with the National College for Nuclear (Southern) and in response to industry needs, the South West Institute of Technology has recently established a Welding Centre of Excellence to develop, support and standardise the supply of high quality welders to a range of sectors including nuclear, marine and aerospace.

The Welding Centre of Excellence and its training hubs enable companies to develop the welding skills they require to compete and grow in global markets. With over £1.5M of investment, the Centre houses facilities for High Integrity Welding and Control; Visual Welding Inspection; Non-Destructive Testing; Destructive Testing; Weld Integrity; Instrumentation Training; Site Conduct, Safety & Stewardship.

It has expert knowledge on how to develop and respond to specific technical requirements of employers and provide them with a skilled workforce. Trainees at the Welding Centre of Excellence use the latest digital training tools including virtual welding headsets.

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