

# HIE LINKS

## OUR WEEKLY UPDATE

17 April 2023

### IN THE NEWS

[www.hie.co.uk/latest-news/](http://www.hie.co.uk/latest-news/)

14 Apr: [Successful business programme marks five years](#)

### DID YOU SEE?

- [Recruitment](#) – we're looking for a new Board member for ORIC
- [Career dev opportunity for young workers in our H&Is' Fuel Change Challenge](#) – free places for teams now!
- [Our new fair work tourism guide for employers](#)

### SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

#### TWITTER Follow us

- 9 Apr: [Are you an established business looking to develop new products/processes? Our new product development programme could help!](#)

#### LINKEDIN Connect with us

- 7 Apr: [GP Katharine Jones of Wild Ness was a previous Pathfinder participant. Her business focuses on health and wellbeing.](#)

#### FACEBOOK Follow us

- 12 Apr: [Is your business committed to Net Zero? Entries for VIBES 2023 are now open!](#)

### #FRIDAYFACTS FROM OUR CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Follow [@stuartblack\\_HIE](https://twitter.com/stuartblack_HIE)

- 14 Apr: [Pathfinder Accelerator](#), our mentoring programme for entrepreneurs in the region, has supported 133 businesses since it began five years ago.

### EVENTS AND WEBINARS COMING UP

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| Mon 17 Apr: <b>Facebook for business</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>2-4pm<br>Online  | Learn how to get the most out of Facebook and how it could fit into your business's digital marketing strategy.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>               |
| Tues 18 Apr: <b>The business benefits of running a sustainable business</b><br>Business Gateway<br>2-4pm<br>Online | Find out how becoming more sustainable can increase sales and profits.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>  |
| Tues 18 Apr: <b>Google Analytics – Understand how your website performs</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>6-8pm<br>Online     | Understand how Google Analytics is set up and gain an overview of key reports.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>  |
| Thurs 20 Apr: <b>Get impact and engagement with social media analytics</b>   | Learn how to access each platform's metrics and reporting, and how to use them to improve the potential of your social media.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a> |

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| DigitalBoost<br>10am-12 noon<br>Online  |  |
| Thurs 20 Apr: <b>International micro agility in e-commerce</b><br>Scottish Enterprise<br>10-11am<br>Online  | Join entrepreneur Ben Leonard to discuss the importance of personalised marketing and communication with customers.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>                                      |
| Thurs 20 Apr: <b>Circular textiles - An introduction to circular economy</b><br>Zero Waste Scotland<br>1-2pm<br>Online                                | Equip your business with circular economy principles and business models.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>  |
| Fri 21 Apr: <b>Upgrade your business marketing with a CRM system</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>9-11am<br>Online  | Learn how to connect Customer Relationship Management (CRM) to your website, manage your activities, nurture your leads and track new business.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>          |
| Fri 21 Apr: <b>Email marketing for business</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>12 noon-2pm<br>Online  | See how email marketing can engage your audience and boost the success of your email campaigns.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>  |
| Tues 25 Apr: <b>How Artificial Intelligence (AI) can help your business marketing</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>10am-12 noon<br>Online                       | See how AI can help make your marketing more efficient, with free tools and systems to help businesses of all sizes.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>                                     |
| Wed 26 Apr: <b>Blogging for business</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>2-4pm<br>Online   | Ideal for anyone thinking of starting a business blog or existing bloggers wanting more return for time invested.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>  |
| Thurs 27 Apr: <b>Food and drink: How to move your food and drink products overseas</b><br>Department for Business and Trade<br>11am-12 noon<br>Online | Join specialists from the Department of Business and Trade for the essentials of getting your food and drink products from A to B when trading overseas.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a> |
| Fri 28 Apr: <b>Paid-for advertising</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>10am-12 noon<br>Online   | Introduce or improve the use of paid advertising in your digital marketing strategy.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>   |
| Fri 28 Apr: <b>Photography for online business</b><br>DigitalBoost<br>2-4pm<br>Online   | Learn how to shoot, edit and upload photos for use online and to showcase your business.<br><br><a href="#">Book</a>   |

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| <p><b>Thurs 11 May: Email marketing tools to enhance your international e-commerce</b><br/> Scottish Enterprise<br/> 10-11am<br/> Online</p>  | <p>Discover how to connect better with your customers using email marketing tools with entrepreneur Ben Leonard.</p> <p><a href="#">Book</a></p>   |
| <p><b>Sat 13 May: Shared perspectives conference</b><br/> HIE XpoNorth Digital<br/> 10.30-4pm<br/> <b>In-person and online</b><br/> The Highland Cinema, Fort William<br/> PH33 6AJ</p> | <p>This free event will take a practical look at how digital technologies are unlocking ambitious new areas for regional businesses. It will also offer a platform for creative and heritage networks to meet with other sectors, make new connections and discuss collaborative approaches to shared challenges and opportunities.</p> <p><a href="#">Join In-person</a><br/> <a href="#">Join online</a></p> |

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