

"Skills for Logistics is the Sector Skills Council for the UK's freight logistics industries. We are licensed by Government to tackle the skills and productivity needs of employers in our sector."

# Preparing the workforce of the future

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Right Skills, Right Place, Right Time



### Who are Skills for Logistics?

- A Sector Skills Council
- I of 21 covering 90% of the UK workforce
- We are responsible for:
  - Setting National Occupational Standards
  - Developing and Issuing Apprenticeship Frameworks
  - Labour Market Intelligence
  - Encouraging Employers to invest in skills development



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## The UK logistics sector

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- The 5th largest UK industry sector
- Underpins the whole UK economy
- Links the UK to the global economy
- Covers the storage, handling and movement of goods
- Covers road, rail, air, sea and waterway transportation modes



### **The UK Logistics sector**





### 2.2 million or 8% of the UK workforce



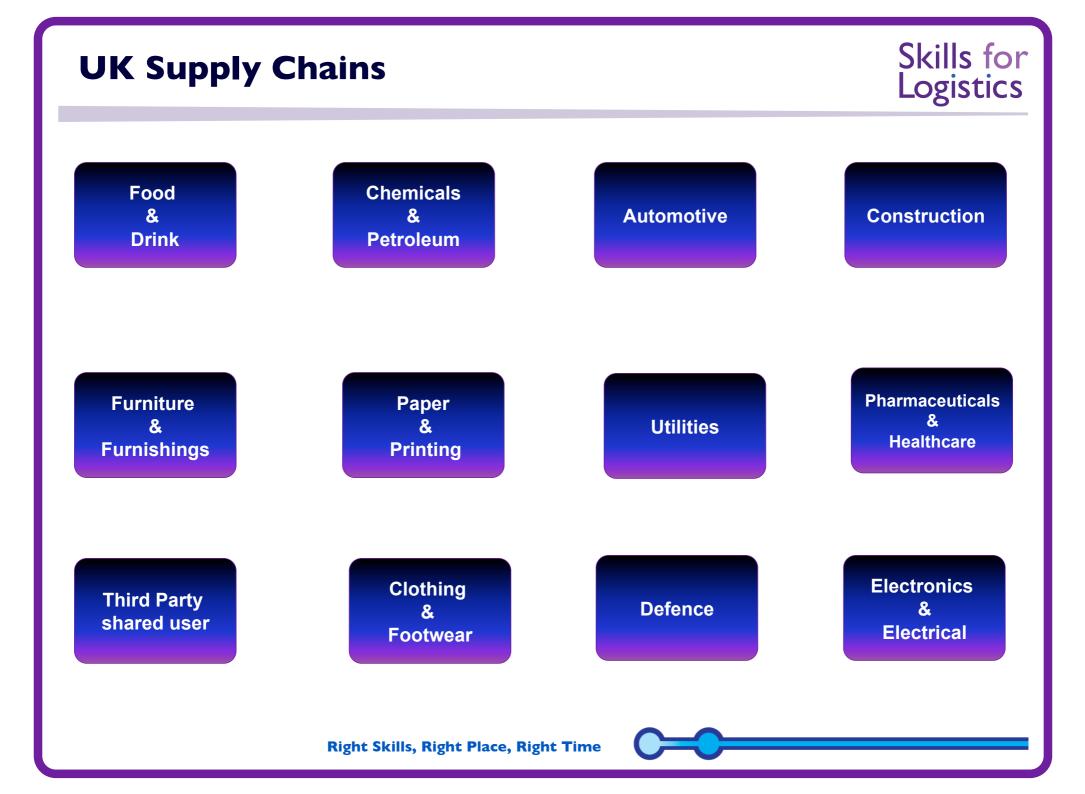
### 193,000 employers



### 12 industry sectors or supply chains













### 9% under 25



44% over 45

### 47% or 1,000,000 people are below the minimum qualification level

# Up to 500,000 do not have the necessary basic skills

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### **The Challenges**



- Logistics has a poor image
- We need to find 0.5 million new recruits by 2017
- We need to recruit more young people
- We need a career framework
- We need career progression
- We need an effective funding regime to make employers more willing to invest in their people





### **Skills funding in England**



- Compulsory Employer Training Levy ended
- Vocational training funded through the Skills Funding Agency an Agency of the Department of Business Innovation & Skills
- Age 16-19 fully funded
- Age 19-24 part-funded, 24+ minimally funded

### Skills Funding in England

Department for Business Innovation & Skills

Skills Funding Agency

Further Education Colleges and Training Providers

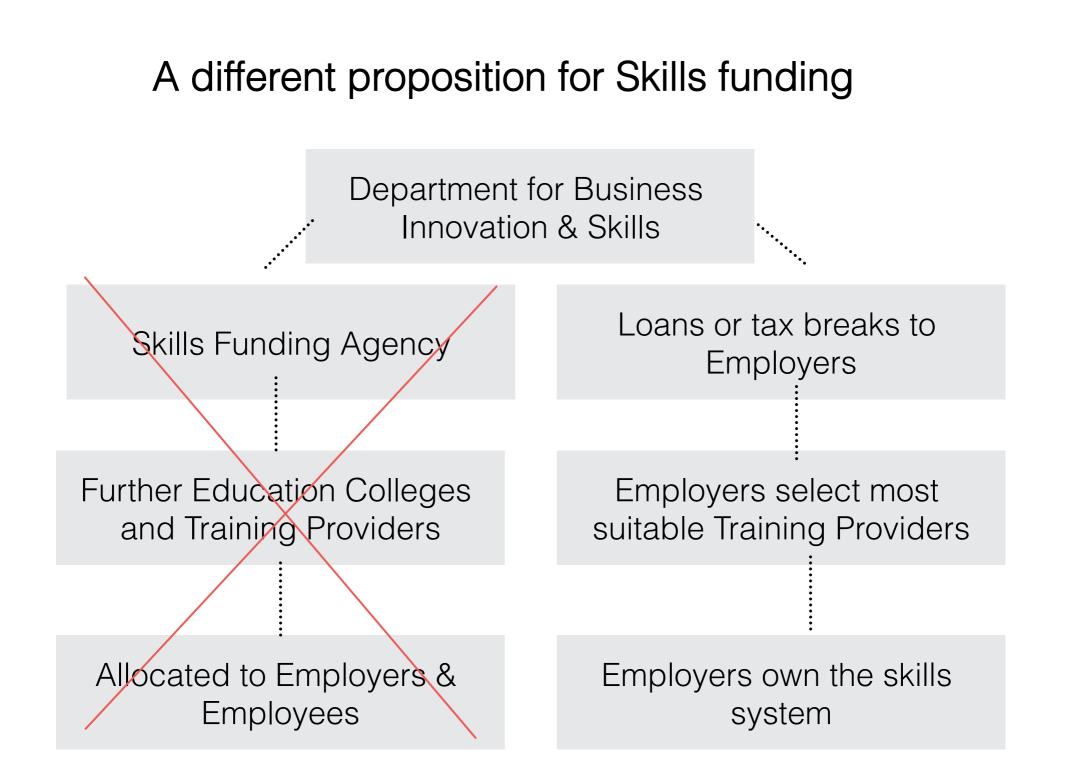
Allocated to Learners

### **Skills funding in England**



- 2012 University fees increased to €8,000 €11,000 per year
- Very unpopular student loans scheme
- Major opportunity for vocational training but:
- 2013 Individual Learner Accounts to be introduced very similar to student loans
- A big opportunity missed





#### Some new ideas for the logistics Skills system

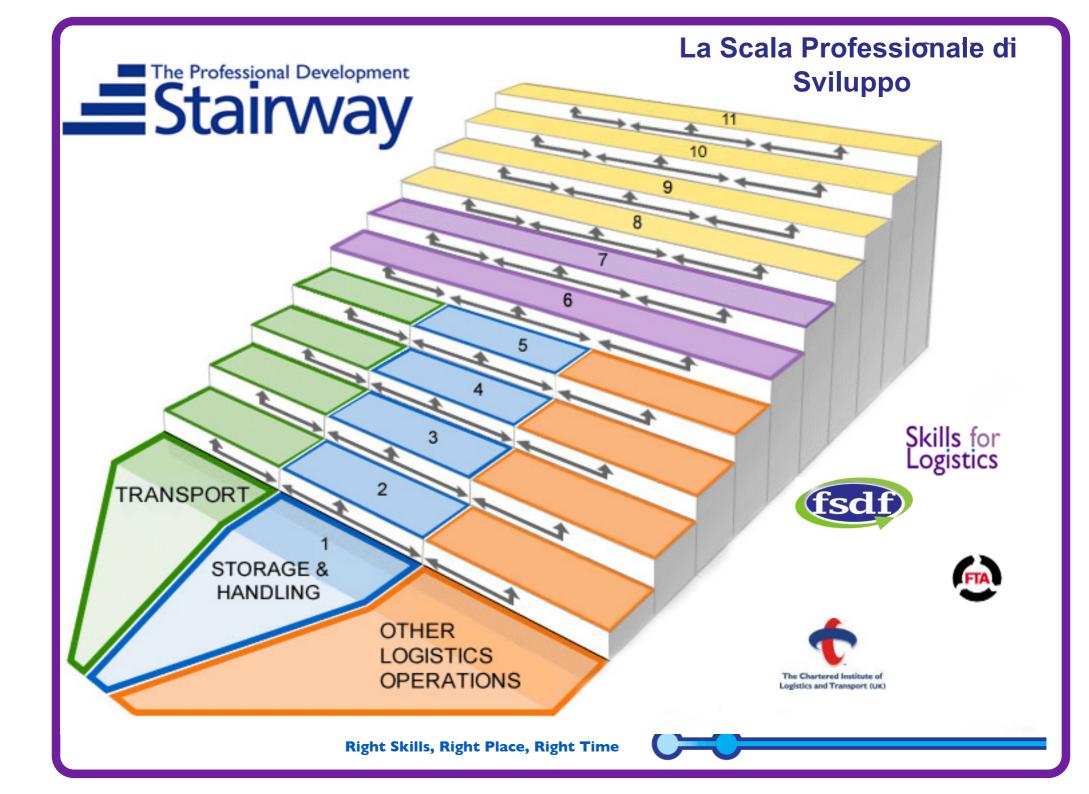
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#### Some new ideas for the logistics Skills system

- Improve the image of logistics
- Provide a career framework
- Establish a UK Modern Logistics Guild
- Connect logistics employers to their community
- Investigate Employer Bonds a fund set up by large employers to provide loans to the small employers who work for them in the supply chain



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