

## Duncan Peberdy

### Curriculum Vitae

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### Personal Profile

Having supplied audio visual technology into education for many years, Duncan began working with the university sector in 2006 specifying and supporting leading-edge active learning technology to the Visual Learning Lab, a HEFCE-funded Centre for Excellence in Teaching and Learning at the University of Nottingham.

In many circumstances, technology was being specified and installed without reference or modification to the room size and layout, thereby reducing the potential for the technology to enable better learning scenarios and deeper learning.

As active learning gained interest throughout the UK HE sector, Duncan was working with furniture companies developing enhanced integration of technology into furniture and spaces that improve the student experience of learning, which ultimately leads to better outcomes. Involvement with a TEAL project at Portsmouth Business School introduced Duncan to Professor Bob Beichner and the SCALE-UP programme, which has seen some extraordinary results over the last twenty years in the USA, igniting a deeper interest in developing active learning environments so that their full potential can be realised.

In 2013 Duncan secured sponsorship to author and produce “Active Learning Spaces and Technology,” a book distributed in early 2014 to all UK universities that highlights the importance of blending technology with space design, furniture, pedagogy and governance if the very best outcomes are to be driven from the significant investment in new active learning initiatives.

In 2015, Duncan is leading a Jisc project, co-funded by Manchester, Newcastle, Nottingham Trent, Teesside, and the West of Scotland universities, to develop a new *Digital Learning Platform* that more effectively displays and digitally captures large areas of writing, such as those used in traditional STEM teaching.



## **Publications**

- 2015 - High Performance Collaboration – (July 2015)
- 2014 - Managing Productive Meetings – Pearson
- 2014 - Active Learning Spaces and Technology – DroitwichNet
- 2013 - White Paper – Active Learning Spaces
- 2012 - Communicate, Collaborate, Educate – Using PowerPoint – Destiny Publishing
- 2012 - Youthenasia – a Novel
- 2009 - Brilliant Meetings - Pearson

## **Skill Summary**

### **Project Management**

- Ability to translate a project vision into a successful implementation plan  
i.e. Digital Learning Platform Project, Multi-Slides, Interactive Table Development
- Experienced at reporting results – oral and written, including Board Level and public
- Analysis of the barriers and risks to successful project implementation
- Successful budget management of multiple projects

### **Consultation/ Requirement Gathering Techniques**

- Interviews – one to one, group – telephone
- Workshop facilitation
- Questionnaire design
- Benchmarking
- Scenario planning
- Gap Analysis – from “current system” to “required system” scenarios
- Business needs analysis
- Able to identify what would make the solution “better,” in part due to:
  - Complete solution overview
  - Ability to identify the ‘real problem’ and effective solution design

## **Notable Projects**

- Digital Learning Platform  
Co-funded by Jisc and 5 UK universities
- Active Learning Spaces and Technology Book
- Collaborative Table Development (with TOP-TEC)
- Interactive Table Development (with TeamMate and Epson)
- Multi-Slides Development (Commercial Software)
- Thunder Digital Flipchart System  
Visual Learning Lab (University of Nottingham, UK) and others
- Welsh Assembly Tele-Medicine Project (value £4 million with Computacenter)

## A proven ability to make a difference

“I worked with Duncan for 2 years at PolyVision. He has been the catalyst for THUNDER's initial growth in the European Theatre. His ethics and drive are second to none and his relationships with THUNDER dealers and customers prove that! If character is defined by what a person does when no-one is looking, then Duncan's name should be located next to the word character in every dictionary!”

*May 12, 2008 - Lee Hicks*

Vice President & General Manager, THUNDER, PolyVision

## Employment History

**DroitwichNet** Dec 2014 – present

Advising education clients on solutions for Active Learning Spaces.

Advising business clients on solutions for High Performance Collaboration.



TOP-TEC Feb 2013 – Dec 2014

National Business Development Manager for this leading UK manufacturer of technology-integrated furniture.

**TeamMate**® Jan 2012 – Dec 2012

National Business Development Manager for this leading UK manufacturer of technology-integrated furniture. Joined from Epson having successfully ideated and developed an interactive table featuring Epson interactive projector.

**EPSON**® 2010 - 2012

Developed opportunities for Epson's networking collaboration software and large venue projectors within Higher Education and corporate business.

Established new close working links with SCHOMS and the AV-User-Group for effective penetration of key influencers.

Developed key marketing message and material to drive home the benefits of solutions to overcome real-life problems in professional AV deployment.

**space 2inspire** 2008 - 2010

Provided consultancy on Meetings and Meeting Room equipment and software.

Clients included Vodafone, G4S, Zurich and the University of Nottingham.

Key deliverable was improving the effectiveness of technology used in local and connected meetings, and especially with the use of multiple displays.

Introduced Thunder into the UK and European markets, providing sales and technical support in these markets.

Thunder was a high end in-room collaboration system with an end user price of £95k per room, and ultimately purchased by companies such as Boeing, Zurich, Disney, Cisco, etc.

Working single-handedly in Europe, the role included sales and technical presentations at board level, followed by full project management of installations. Ten systems were sold in Europe in approx. 18 months.

Worked with a small group of channel partners to promote the RoomWizard room scheduling system in to corporate accounts. High level technical integration required with clients such as Network Rail, Scottish and Newcastle, Pictet Bank, Romec, Bath University, Morgan Stanley, etc.

## Qualifications etc.

- InfoComm Certified Technology Specialist – 2007
- Certificate of Education (FE) – 1994 – University of Wales
- 3 x “A” Levels, 10 x “O” Levels
- Fluent in German
- Full clean driving licence

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