



**sigma** new centres call briefing day  
January 17<sup>th</sup> 2014  
Mathematics Education Centre, Loughborough University

**Agenda**

- 10.00 Arrival, registration and coffee
- 10.30 Welcome and introductions
- 10.40 An introduction to **sigma** and an overview of the current HEFCE-funded project – *What we are trying to achieve.*
- 11.00 Group activity – *what do I need to learn today?*  
Brief activity in which each person has a chance in a small group to raise things they would like to know more about followed by sharing of ideas in a plenary session.
- 11.50 View from someone who has already set up a **sigma**-supported centre.
- 12.15 Lunch and time for networking and a visit to Loughborough's Mathematics Learning Support Centre.
- 1.15 The rationale for continued mathematics support – gathering the evidence to make a local case for more support and secure institutional endorsement.
- 1.45 What can the **sigma** network hubs offer you and what can you offer the hubs?
- 2.15 Criteria for selection – writing a good application.
- 2.45 Q &A session
- 3.15 Refreshments and Depart