

Conference

County

Whether a town centre hotel, a rural retreat or something just that bit different, Kent has the ideal conference venue.

Ward Room, University of Greenwich

From castles and country houses to hop farms and hotels, Kent offers some of the finest conference and training venues at a fraction of the price of neighbouring London. Venues start just 12 miles from the capital and stretch throughout the county to the coastal resorts, only 40 minutes from Calais.

The award-winning Kent Conference Bureau offers event organisers and conference buyers a swift, professional and efficient service based on excellent knowledge of the county and its venues. Having developed a professional and personal relationship with all the venues, the bureau offers free impartial and practical advice, providing information on rates and availability within 24 working hours.

A focal point in the historic port of Sandwich for hundreds of years, **The Bell Hotel** has undergone a £2m refurbishment programme to create a venue that unlocks the town's hospitality potential. Facilities now include a refitted restaurant and high quality conference facilities. www.bellhotelsandwich.co.uk

Boys Hall is one of the most beautiful buildings in Ashford. A 17th century Grade II property retaining many original features, the hotel provides free Wi-Fi throughout. Also the 3 acres of beautiful gardens provide the perfect space for team building and company fun days. www.boyshall.co.uk

Calverley House Business & Conference Centre is a newly refurbished facility in Tunbridge Wells. Flexible configurations provide a range of conference, meeting and seminar space for up to 200 delegates. Additional rooms include a luxury boardroom. **Tel. 01892 704000**

The Maidstone Hilton Hotel, located at J7 of the M20 and just 45 minutes from Gatwick airport, boasts 8 meeting rooms for up to 200 delegates and a well-equipped health club with pool and gym. During 2008, upgrades of £750,000 were invested in the hotel ensuring facilities of the highest standards for a wide range of business events. www.hilton.co.uk/maidstone

The award-winning **Pines Calyx**, surrounded by six acres of gardens,