UK Students "Favourite for Gold"

Britain is on target for another gold medal in hairdressing at the International Youth **Skills Olympics**, set for Amsterdam in June.

The British team has an outstanding record in both men's and ladies' hairdressing at the Skills Olympics: there have been numerous occasions in which the sole UK gold medals have been taken by the two hairdressing categories – men's and ladies'.

Events scheduled for Holland include 26 disciplines, ranging from industrial wiring and cabinet making to stone masonry and gas welding.

Britain's team consists of **Jason Taylor** of the well known Brighouse competition family, and the ladies' hairdressing category is represented by **Helen McDougal** of **Hairloom**, Pontypridd. They won through to achieve their places at the **Association of Hairdressing Teachers** annual competitions.

"We are obviously hoping for great things from the team," says **Pat Cloake** of the AHT. "They certainly have a good chance as British student skills have shown for many years that they are equal to anything that the rest of the world can produce. Britain's record is nothing short of superb in both ladies and mens categories at the Skills Olympics. Past winners have included stylists from the Constantinou salons in Cardiff and from many colleges.