

Interview Scheduler

CREATING AND MANAGING INTERVIEW SLOTS



Introduction

Once shortlisting has taken place for a vacancy, you will be made aware of which candidates need to be invited to an interview.

Through TalentLink, you are able to email candidates to invite them to an interview and using Interview Scheduler, you can specify time slots for candidates to choose from and asked candidates to book themselves into an interview slot.

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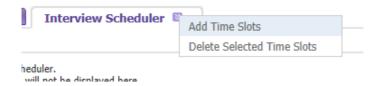
1. Setting up interview slots

Before inviting candidates, you will need to set up the relevant interview slots for candidates to choose from using 'Interview Scheduler'.

Navigate to your vacancy, and along the top, choose the 'Interview Scheduler' tab;

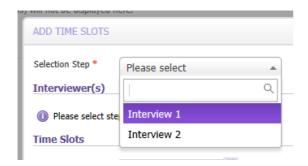


Next to 'Interview Scheduler', click the chevron icon and select 'Add time slots';



A box will appear on your screen which you will need to work your way through.

Firstly, you will need to stipulate which selection process step you are defining your interview slots for;

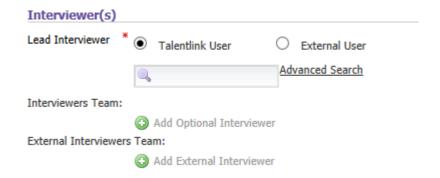




It's important that your next selection step matches the option you select here in order for this functionality to be available when processing your candidates

Select the selection step you wish to create the slots against.

Next, you need to indicate who the Lead Interviewer is;



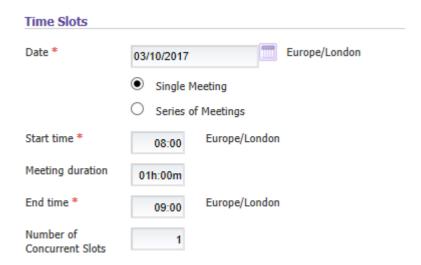
You can select a TalentLink User as Lead Interviewer by entering the name into the TalentLink user field or selecting 'Advanced Search'. You can choose 'External User' and enter the email address of the Lead Interviewer.



Lead Interviewers are configured to receive confirmation emails when candidates book themselves into an interview slot

You are able to add additional team members here if you wish.

You then need to enter the dates and times for your slots;



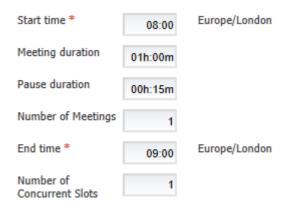
Firstly, select the date your interviews are taking place.



If your interviews are happening over several days, you will need to set the slots a day at a time. Create the slots for your first date, and then 'Add Time Slots' through 'Interview Scheduler' as many times as you need to

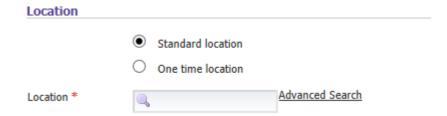
You can choose whether you want to create a single meeting or a series of meetings.

If you select series of meetings, you can enter a start, meeting duration, pause duration and end time and this will automatically calculate the times for you;

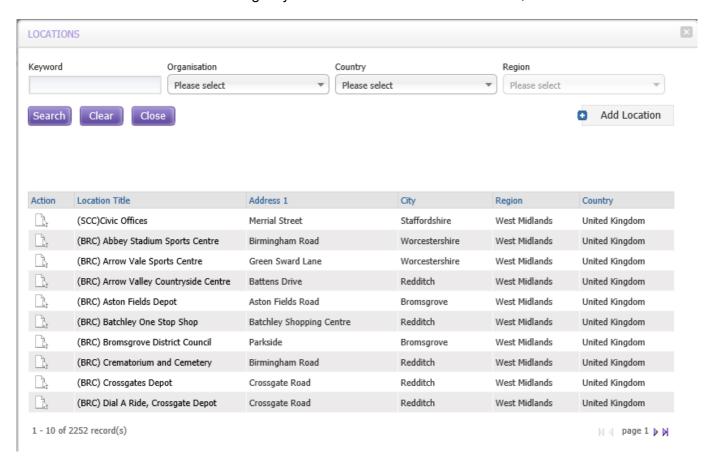


You also have the option to add **concurrent slots**, if you wish for more than one interview to happen at the same time.

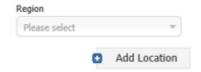
Then, you choose the location of where your interviews are taking place;



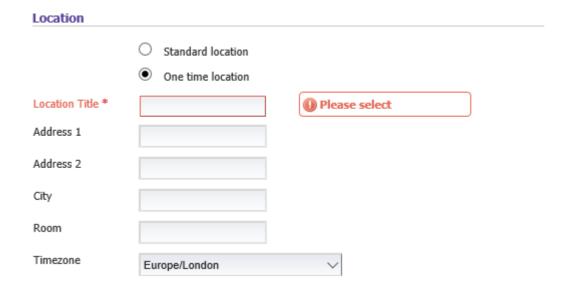
By selecting 'Standard location', you are accessing your list of 'Interview Locations' that have been configured in your environment. To select a location, you can enter the name of the location in the field or select 'Advanced Search' which will give you a list of these locations available;



If you have access, you can add a location if this isn't available;



If this is a functionality you are not using, you can enter the address of the interview manually be selecting 'One time location';



Enter the details of your location.



Against 'Start time', 'End time' and 'Timezone' you will see the timezone your slots are being set-up in. If this is any different to 'Europe/London', please contact your Local System Administrator who will need to change this for you.

Do not process any invites until this has been changed

Once you have entered the details of your slots, click 'Save' at the bottom of the window.

You will then see in your 'Interview Scheduler' tab, a list of the slots you have just created;



You can see an overview of the date and times that have been created against the vacancy. You can also see your **Lead Interviewer**, **Location** and the **Step** your slots have been created against.

2. Editing/deleting interview slots

Once you have created slots, you can add more by following the steps outlined in Setting up interview slots but you can edit slots, or delete slots on your scheduler.



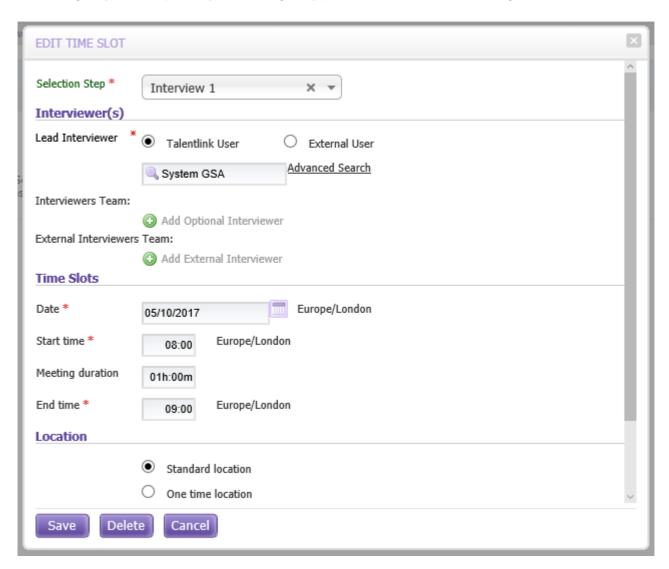
If changes need to be made to your slots, make the changes before candidates have been invited to avoid confusion for your candidates

Editing slots

To edit a slot, navigate to your 'Interview Scheduler' tab on your vacancy. Against the slot you wish to amend, under the 'Actions' column, click the 'Edit' icon;



This will give you the options you are originally presented with when creating the slots;



Make the changes you need to and click 'Save' and the bottom of the window.

Deleting slots

To delete a slot, you can do this several ways.

Deleting an individual slot

Navigate to your 'Interview Scheduler' tab on your vacancy. Against the slot you wish to delete, under the 'Actions' column, click the 'Delete' icon;



When you click the icon, the system will alert you and ask you to confirm whether or not you want to delete the slot;



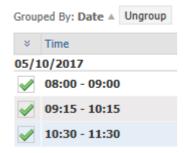
Clicking 'Ok' will remove the slot.

By choosing this method, the system allows you to **delete one slot at a time**.

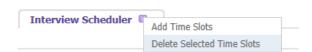
Deleting multiple slots

To delete multiple slots, click on the 'Interview Scheduler' tab on your vacancy.

At the far left of the slots, you will see a check box. Click on the slots you wish to delete;



On the 'Interview Scheduler' tab name, you will see a chevron icon. Click the icon and select 'Delete Selected Time Slots';



The system will present an alert and ask you to confirm;



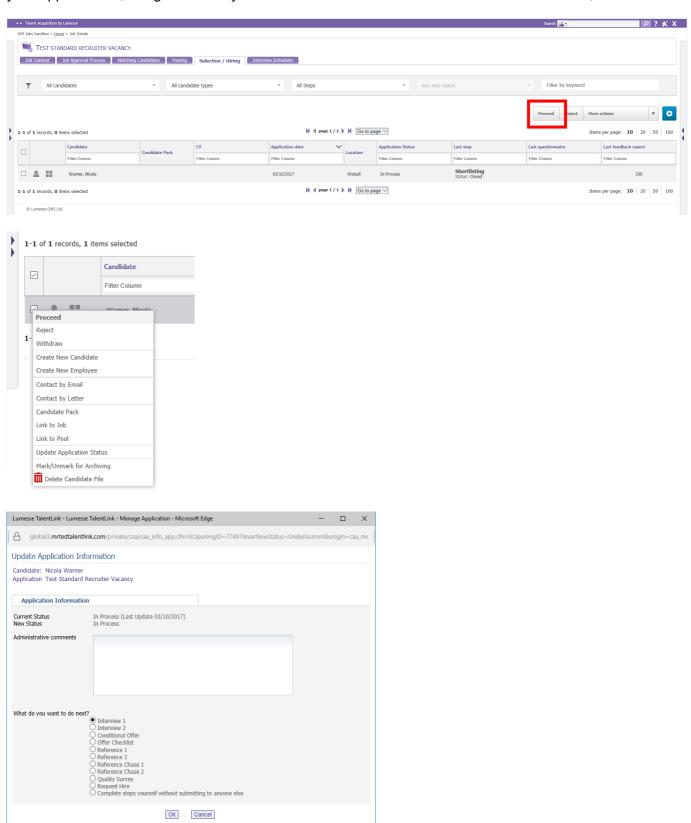
Click 'Ok' to confirm. This will remove all selected slots from your 'Interview Scheduler'.

3. Inviting candidates to interview

Once you have created the slots, you are then in a position to proceed your candidates to the selection step you have created your interview slots against.

Navigate to the 'Selection/Hiring' tab of your vacancy;

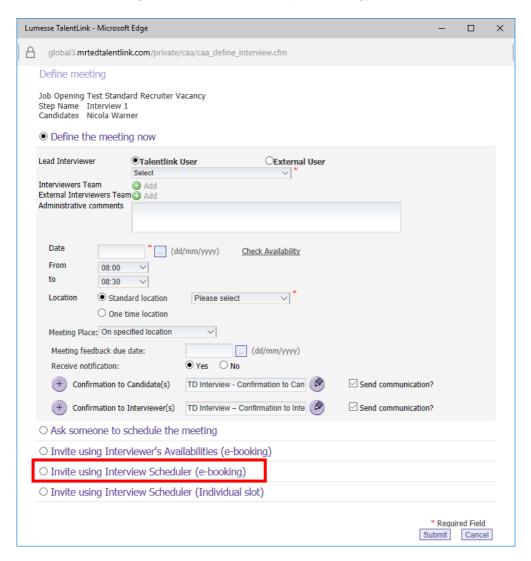
From your applicant list, select the candidates you wish to proceed to interview and click 'Proceed' from your applicant list, or right click on your selection and click 'Proceed' from the list available;





Ensure the step you are proceeding your candidates to matches the step you created your interview slots against

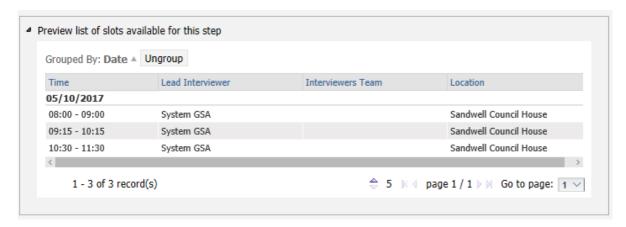
You will then see a window which will ask you the type of interviews you want to define. From the options, select 'Invite using Interview Scheduler (e-booking)';



Once you select this option, you will see several options appear;

 Invite using Interview Scheduler (e-booking) Candidate will be able to select preferred timeslot based on Interview Scheduler (all available timeslots, defined for selected step) Preview list of slots available for this step (dd/mm/yyyy) Meeting feedback due date: Receive notification: O No Invitation to Candidate(s) TD Interview - Intivation to Candida Confirmation to Candidate(s) TD Interview - Confirmation to Can Send communication? Send communication? TD Interview - Confirmation to Inte Confirmation to Interviewer(s)

Firstly, you can see an arrow next to 'Preview list of slots available for this step' - here, you can preview the slots you have created;



You can then specify what date you would like the interview feedback to be due and whether you will receive a notification in your 'Tasks' app once this is completed;



You will then see three email templates assigned to the interview step;



Invitation to Candidate(s)

This is the email that will be sent to the candidate which will inform them that they have been invited to an interview. This email will contain a hyperlink which the candidate will click and the slots will be available for them to select.

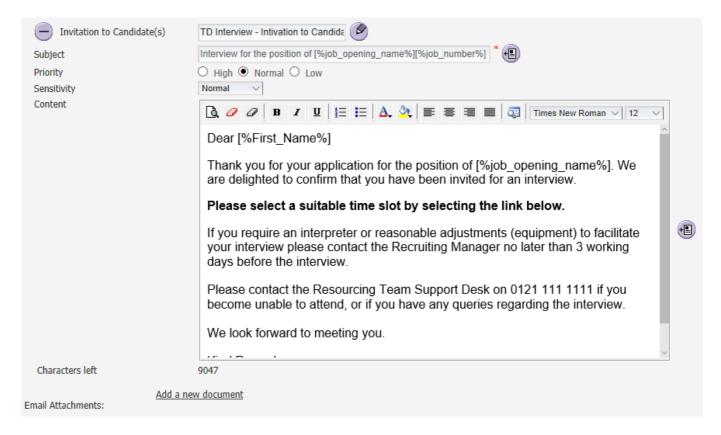
Confirmation to Candidate(s)

Once a candidate has booked a slot, they will then receive a confirmation email to confirm the details they have chosen.

Confirmation to Interviewer(s)

Once a candidate has booked onto an interview slot, whoever you have assigned as Lead Interviewer when creating your interview slots will receive an email confirmation confirming which candidate has booked at which time.

To see the content of each email, click the ticon next to each template.

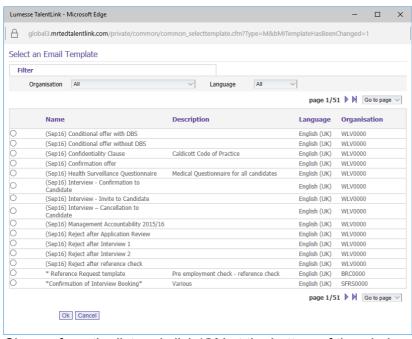


Here, you can see what is being sent to the candidate, and if you need to add any additional information to the invite or other emails, you can, however, these templates are configured against your interview step in your selection process.

At the bottom of the content of the email, you will see the option to 'Add a new document' - here, you can add an attachment to your email is necessary.

To change the communication template, click the (see icon next to the template you wish to change.

A list will appear of templates available within your environment;



Choose from the list and click 'Ok' at the bottom of the window.

Next to the 'Communication to Candidate(s)' and 'Confirmation to Interviewer(s)', you will see a tick option - 'Send communication?';

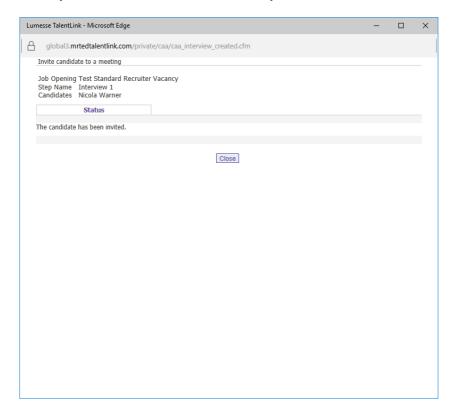


You can determine whether you want your candidates and Lead Interviewer to receive a confirmation email once a slot has been booked.

Once you have completed your options, and the bottom of the window, click 'Submit';



Once your interviews have been sent, you will receive a confirmation message within the same window;

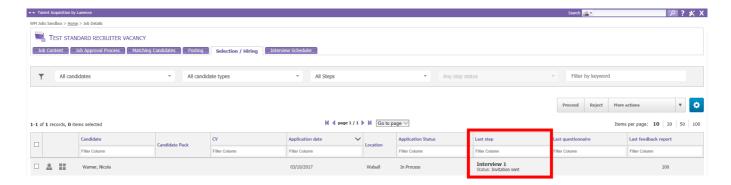




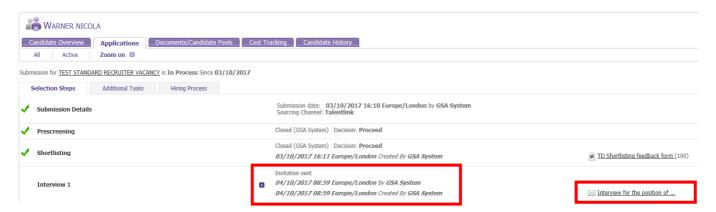
If you are processing multiple candidates at the same time, the system can take a short while to process all of the candidates – a small delay can be expected

Once you receive this notification, close this window.

If you navigate back to your applicant list through the 'Selection/Hiring' tab, you can see via the 'Last **step**' column, an interview invitation has been sent;



If you click on the name of the candidate on the applicant list, this will take you to candidate's 'Applications' tab. Here, you can see the date and time the interview invite has been sent and a system copy of the message;

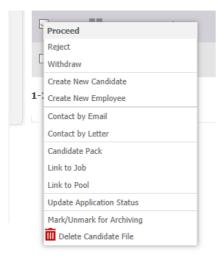


This is how you would process multiple candidates; however, you are able to invite a candidate to an individual slot in the circumstance or processing an individual candidate.

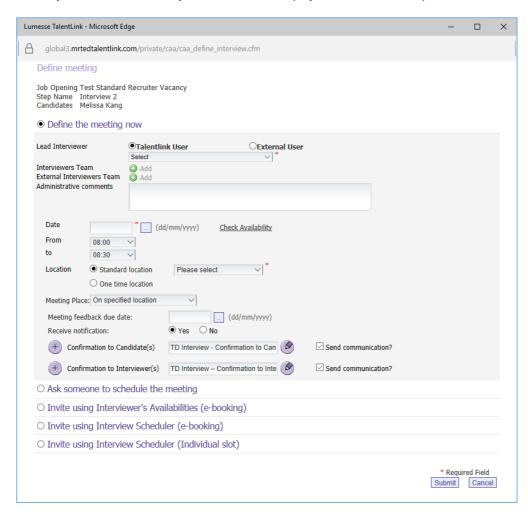
4. Inviting a candidate to an individual slot

To invite a candidate to an individual slot, firstly, you would need to create that slot through the 'Interview Scheduler' tab (see Pages 3-6).

Once you have created your individual slot, navigate to your 'Selection/Hiring' tab on your vacancy, select your candidate and 'Proceed' to the interview selection step you have created your interview slots against;

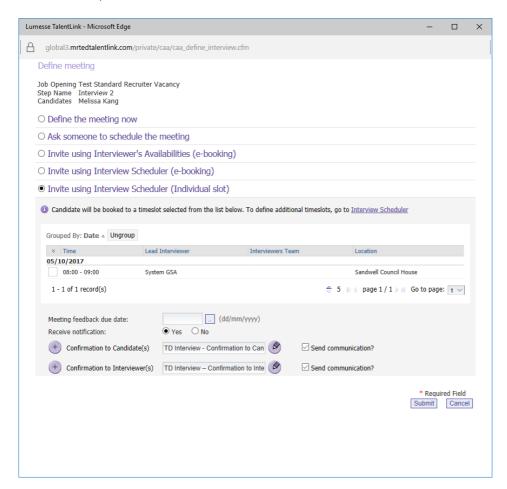


Once you have selected your selection step, you will see the options available to define your interviews;

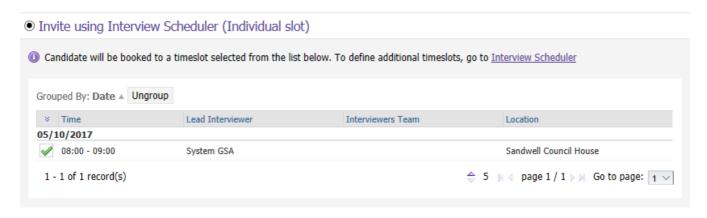


From the options, select, 'Invite using Interview Scheduler (Individual slot)'.

When you select this option, you will see the slots available for the interview step you have moved the candidate to:



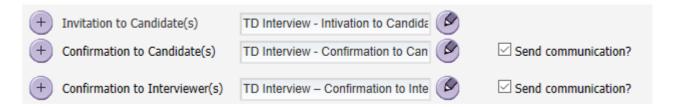
From the list, select the slot you wish to invite the candidate to by checking the box next to the time of the slot;



You can then specify what date you would like the interview feedback to be due and whether you will receive a notification in your 'Tasks' app once this is completed;

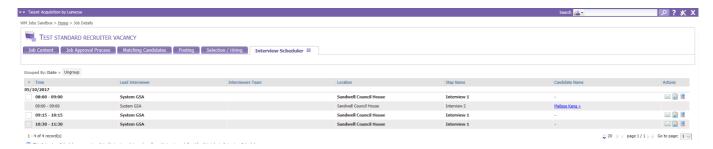


You will then see three email templates assigned to the interview step;



Here, you can amend the template, selection a new template and choose whether communications are sent. Instructions are outlined on Pages 12-14.

Once you have sent the interview, you can then see your candidate sitting against this slot through your 'Interview Scheduler' tab for the vacancy;

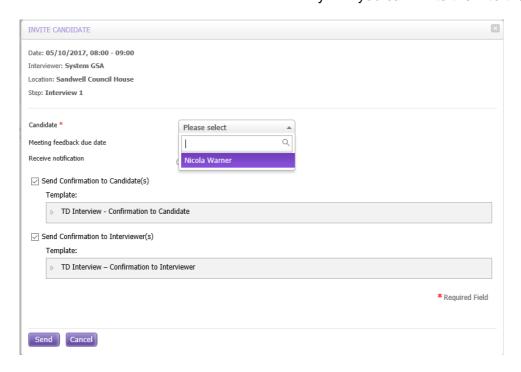


For any candidates who have been sent an invite and haven't booked a slot, you can allocate them to individual slots through the 'Interview Scheduler' tab.

Next to each slot within the tab, you can see under the column, 'Actions', an invite function;



By choosing this option, anyone who is live in the step can be allocated a time. This could be useful if a candidate didn't receive an email and contact you - you can invite them to the slot.



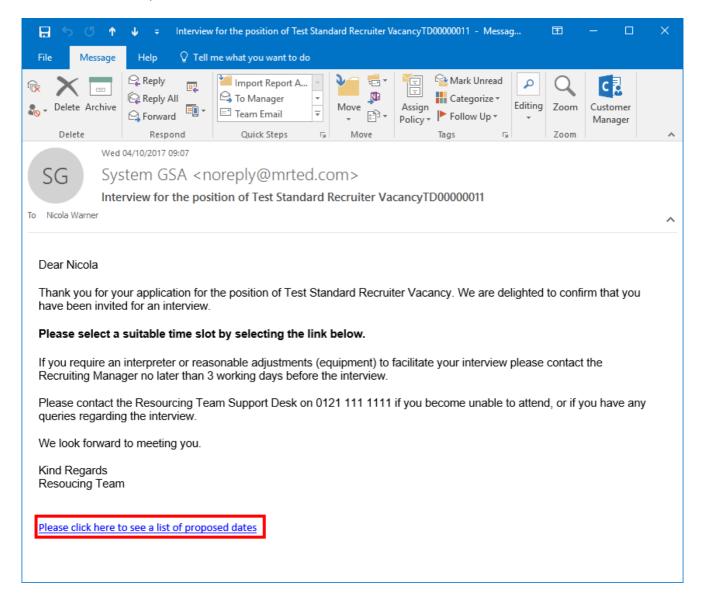
You have the options here to send confirmations once you invite.

Click 'Send' to action.

5. Booking an interview slot

Confirming an interview slot

The candidate will then receive the interview invite email and be asked to book a time slot by clicking the link within the email;



Once the candidate clicks the link, they will be taken to a webpage which will display the slots available;





Interview slots work on a first-come, first-serve basis. If a candidate has already booked a slot, the next candidate to click the link within their email and attempt to book, will not see that slot available

The candidate would then select their slot, and click 'Submit' on the webpage;



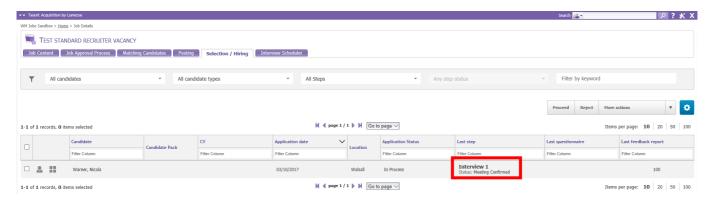
Once the candidate has booked, they will receive a confirmation message on the screen confirming the details;





Once a candidate has booked a slot, they will be unable to access the link again to change this – this will need to be done through the back-office function

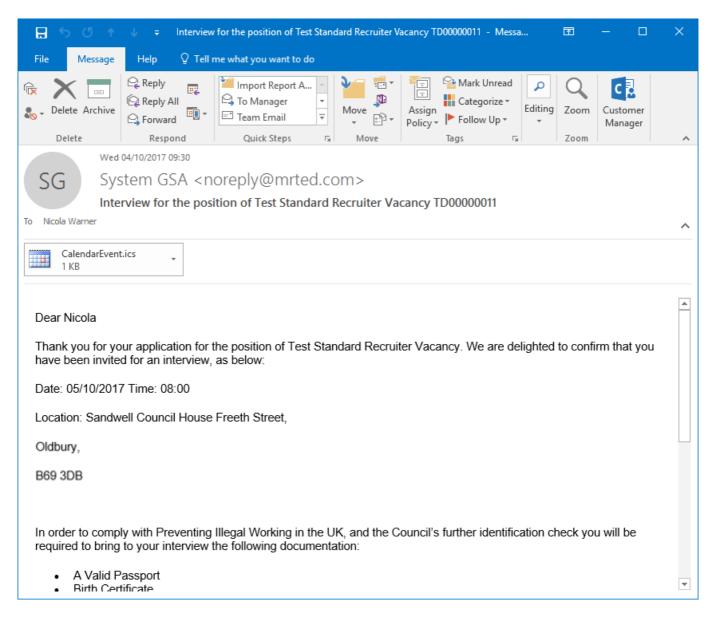
Navigate to the 'Selection/Hiring' tab for your vacancy and you can now see that the 'Last step' has been updated to 'Interview 1 - Meeting Confirmed';



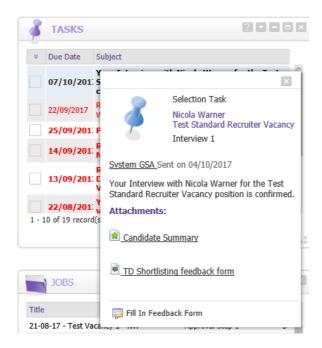
If you click on the 'Interview Scheduler' tab, you will now see that this candidate has booked themselves against a slot;



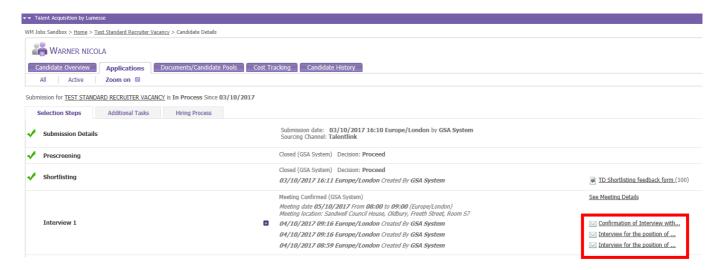
The candidate will then receive a confirmation email (if selected when inviting the candidate) to confirm the slot they have chosen;



Your Lead Interviewer will also receive a confirmation via email and if configured, a task in their 'Tasks' app;

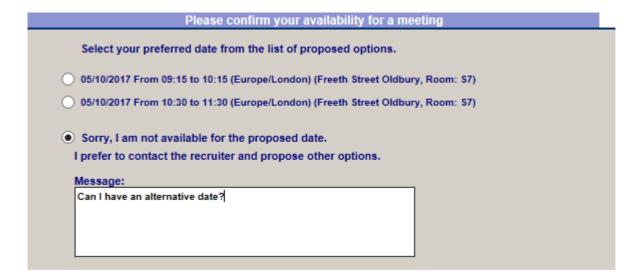


You can see the confirmation emails in the candidate's 'Applications' tab;



Declining an interview slot

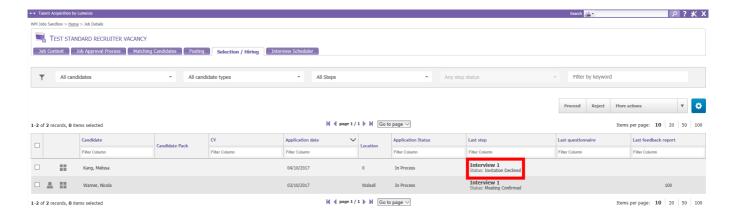
When booking a slot, the candidate will see an option - 'Sorry, I am not available for the proposed date'. If a candidate selects this option, they are prompted to enter a message which will be received into TalentLink:



Once they submit, they will receive a message on their screen which confirms they have declined the slots available;



Navigate to the 'Selection/Hiring' tab for your vacancy and you can now see that the 'Last step' has been updated to 'Interview 1 - Invitation Declined';



If you click on the candidate's name on the applicant list, you will see on the candidate's 'Applications' tab, the message they entered when declining the slot;



5. Managing Interview Scheduler

When a candidate has confirmed or declined an interview slot, they will be unable to access the link again in order to change the details of the interview they have confirmed or declined.

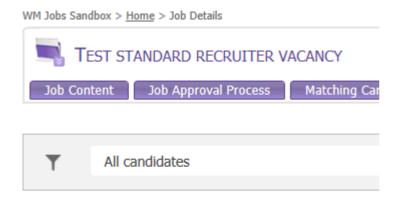
Through Interview Scheduler within TalentLink, you can manage changes.

Changing Meeting Details

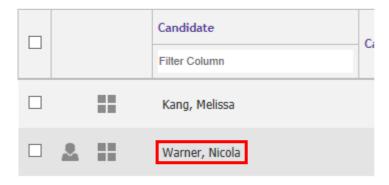
For a candidate who has confirmed an interview slot, if necessary, you can change the date and/or time of the slot they originally chose when booking themselves, and you can do this through the function, 'Change Meeting Details', which sits against the candidate's 'Applications' tab.

When using 'Change Meeting Details', the system will allow you to change the interview slot a candidate originally chose to another slot which has been created in Interview Scheduler against the appropriate step.

To change the details, navigate to your vacancy, select the 'Selection/Hiring' tab and click on the name of the candidate's details you wish to change;



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This will take you to the candidate's 'Applications' tab. Against the selection step, you will see a link which reads 'See Meeting Details';

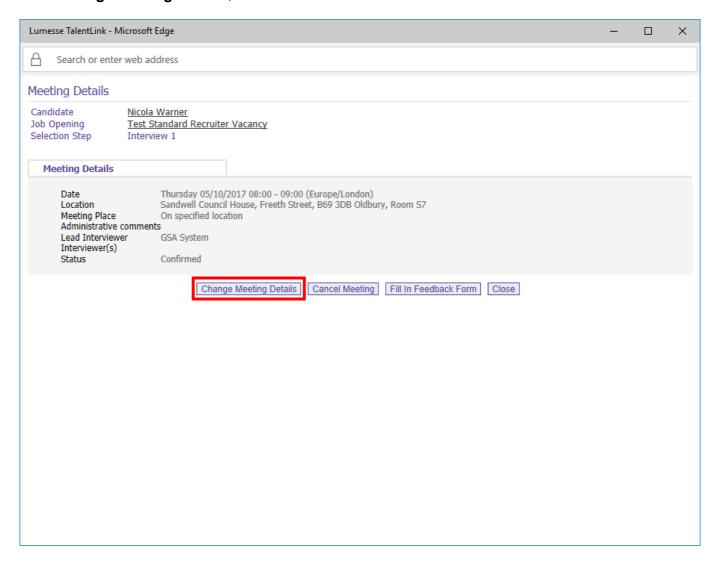
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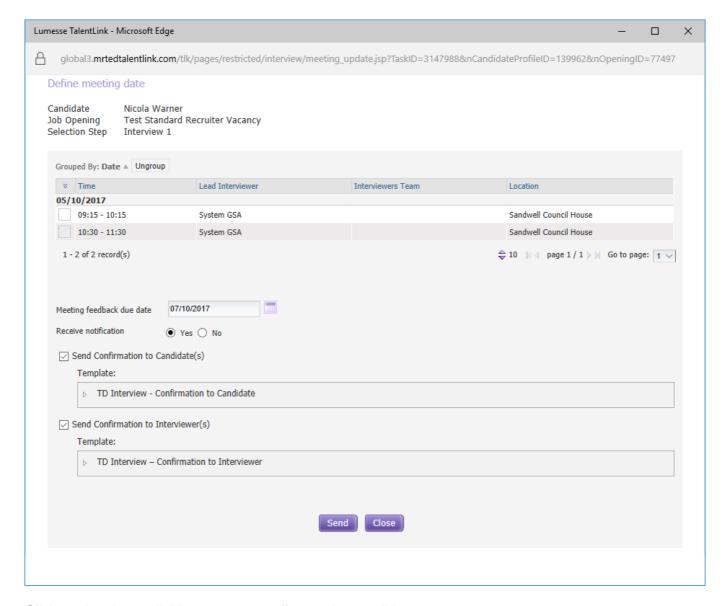
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Click on the link.

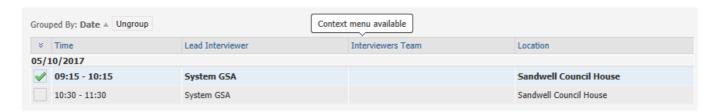
A pop-up box will appear, which will give you an overview of the interview details and several options. Click 'Change Meeting Details';



This will then refresh the window and give you a list of the slots remaining through Interview Scheduler to assign the candidate to;



Click on the slot available you want to allocate the candidate to;



You can see underneath when the feedback is due and whether you will receive a notification once feedback has been completed;

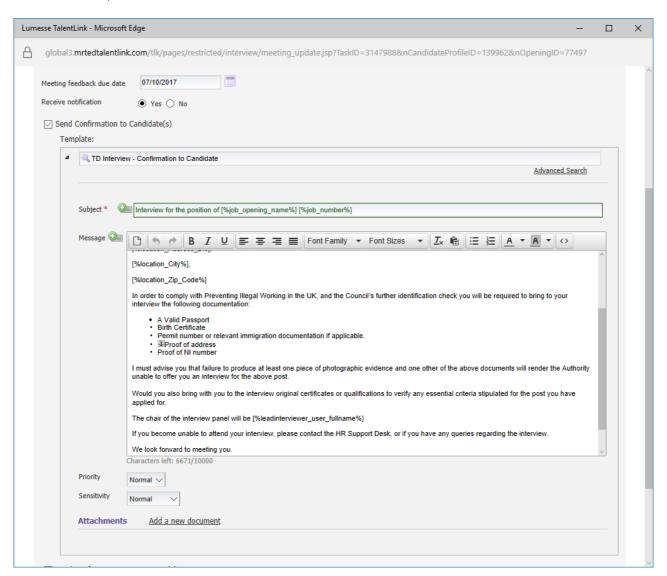


Then you will see the Confirmation communication templates assigned to the step for the candidate and Lead Interviewer:



You can choose whether or not to send the confirmation by unticking the box next to 'Send Confirmation to Candidate(s)' or 'Send Communication to Interviewer(s)'.

If you click the arrow next to the name of the template, you can amend the content of the template or add an attachment;



Once you have selected your options, at the bottom of the window, click 'Send';

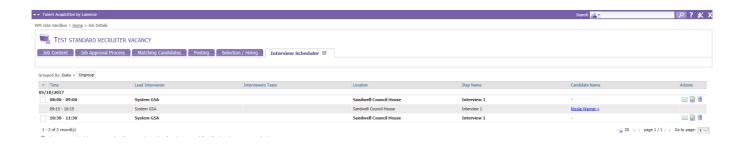


From the candidate's 'Applications' tab, you can now see that the interview time against the selection step has now changed;

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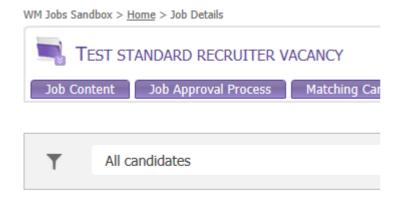
If you click on the 'Interview Scheduler' tab for the vacancy, you can see the candidate now sits against this interview slot and their original time has now become available for another candidate to select;



Cancelling a Meeting

If you need to cancel a candidate's interview, you can cancel their meeting through 'Cancel Meeting'.

To cancel a meeting, navigate to your vacancy, select the 'Selection/Hiring' tab and click on the name of the candidate whose meeting you wish to cancel;



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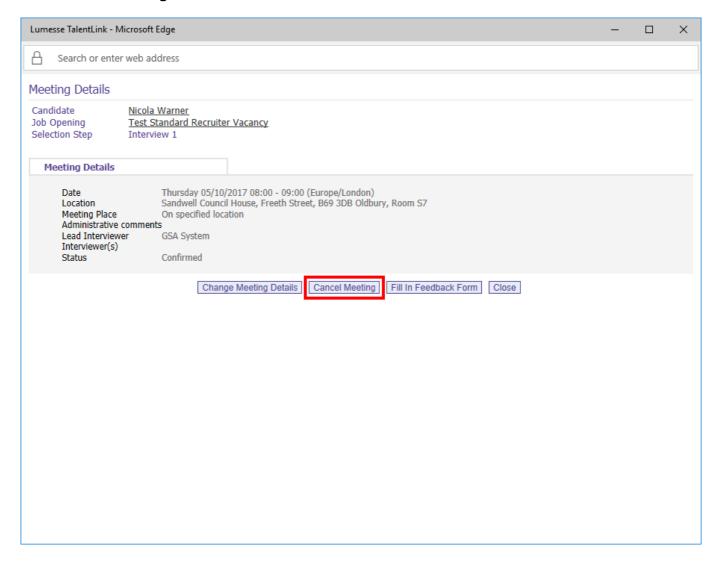


This will take you to the candidate's 'Applications' tab. Against the selection step, you will see a link which reads 'See Meeting Details';

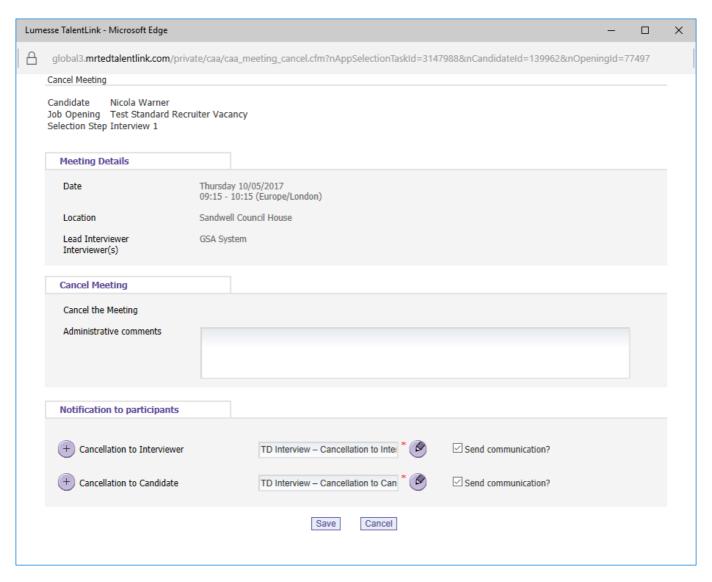


Click on the link.

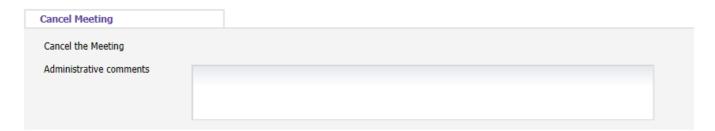
A pop-up box will appear, which will give you an overview of the interview details and several options. Click 'Cancel Meeting';



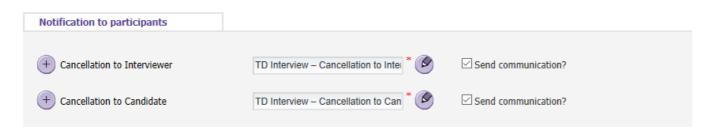
This will update the window with the following details;



It will give you an overview of the Meeting Details and allows you to add a comment to explain why the meeting has been cancelled;



Underneath are the communication templates attached to cancelling candidates for interview;



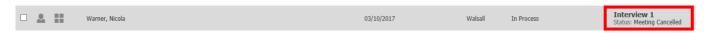
You can edit the emails, choose another template and choose whether you want to send a cancellation notification to your Lead Interviewer or Candidate.

Once you have completed the details, at the bottom of the window, click 'Save'.

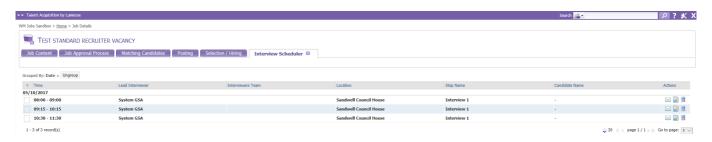
Once a meeting in cancelled, on the candidate's 'Applications' tab, you can see the meeting has been cancelled:



On the 'Selection/Hiring' tab, you can see that the 'Last step' for the candidate has been updated to 'Interview 1 - Meeting Cancelled';



You can see on the 'Interview Scheduler' tab, you can see that this slot has now become available for another candidate to book;



Declined Candidates

For a candidate who has declined their interview, you will be unable to use the 'Change Meeting Details' function, as the system recognises the candidate as 'declined' for this particular step.

If locally you decide to interview a candidate who has declined, you would need to proceed this candidate to the next available interview step within your selection process and follow the steps outlined in the guide to process your candidate.

You can now create and manage interview slots using Interview Scheduler!

We have outlined in this guide the essential information you need to use the 'Interview Scheduler' functionality within TalentLink.

We have created several resources for you to use which sit on the Solutions tab on our Service Centre

You can visit the Service Centre at http://wmemployers.freshdesk.com/helpdesk