

Westminster Higher Education Forum policy conference

Next steps for the Knowledge Exchange Framework - responding to KEF 2021, the use of metrics, and assessing the potential for wider public benefit

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 7th September 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Progress with the KEF Review and outlook going forward**
Dr Hamish McAlpine, Head of Data and Evidence, Knowledge Exchange Team, Research England
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Priorities for KEF following the first cycle - fostering university-wide approaches, supporting HEIs with taking part, guarding against increasing bureaucratic pressures, and linking to HEIF**
Mark Pearson, Head, Knowledge Exchange and Enterprise, Royal Holloway University of London
Dr Andrew Wray, Head, Knowledge Exchange, University of Bristol
Dr Iain Thomas, Chair, Praxis Auril and Head, Life Sciences, Cambridge Enterprise, University of Cambridge
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10 Break
- 10.15 **Improving the Framework's use of metrics - measuring impact, metric presentation and clustering, and accounting for local and contextual factors**
Tomas Ulrichsen, Director, Policy Evidence Unit for University Commercialisation and Innovation, University of Cambridge
Dr Jeremy Hague, Director, Knowledge Exchange, Nottingham Trent University
Patrick Speedie, Co-founder, IN-PART
Senior representative, thinktank
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.55 Break
- 11.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.10 **Assessing the public benefit of KEF - impact on levelling up goals, harnessing the Framework for post-pandemic recovery, and reaping the benefits of research and innovation**
Fariba Soetan, Policy Lead, Research and Innovation, National Centre for Universities and Business
Professor Trevor McMillan, Vice-Chancellor, Keele University
Simon Bond, Innovation Director, SETsquared
Ceri Nursaw, Chief Executive, National Centre for Entrepreneurship in Education
Emily Morrison, Head, Institute for Community Studies, The Young Foundation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.00 **Deepening stakeholder engagement in knowledge exchange - insights from international practice**
Professor Ludovic Thilly, Chair, Coimbra Group and Executive Vice-Rector, European Networks, University of Poitiers
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **'The UUK Task Force on Social and Economic Recovery - building wider and deeper knowledge exchange benefit'**
Professor Jane Robinson, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Engagement and Place, Newcastle University and Co-Chair, Economic and Social Recovery Task Force, UUK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum