Research staff training and support
July 2016

Research Staff Development and Concordat Shared Practice Event, 9 June - summary of event
With over 60 participants there was a lot of great discussion. Video footage and PPTs are now available on the webpage:
http://www.york.ac.uk/admin/hr/about_hr/news/2016/concordat-shared-practice-2016-outcomes.htm
The University will provide an interim report on achievements against the 2014-2018 Concordat action plan in September as part of the ‘HR Excellence’ process. If you have any questions about the process please contact karen.clegg@york.ac.uk

EuroScience open forum
The EuroScience Open Forum (ESOF) is a biennial, pan-European, general science conference dedicated to scientific research and innovation. This year’s conference in Manchester (23-27 July) features a careers programme tailored to the concerns and issues affecting ECRs and The Falling Walls Lab: a competition where researchers present their current breakthrough research in 3 minutes.
Further details: http://www.esof.eu/about/introduction-to-esof.html

Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) Research Development Fund
The WUN Research Development Fund (RDF) fosters innovative, international collaborative research and mobility programs. The RDF is open only to academic staff at WUN member universities (18 universities spanning 11 countries on 5 continents). Funds may cover the costs of exploratory research initiatives, targeted workshops, faculty exchanges and the formation of collaborative networks, among other activities.
Application deadline: 17:00, 30 September 2016
Further details: https://www.york.ac.uk/about/international-relations/wun/research/research-development-fund/

Any questions?
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Research champions
The University’s Research Champions work with academic and support staff to harness the University’s cross-disciplinary research strengths and tackle scientific, cultural, social and environmental challenges. The Research Champions’ remits reflect the seven key themes of the University’s Research Strategy. The Champions and associated themes are:

- **Professor Karen Bloor** (Health Sciences)
  Health and Wellbeing
- **Professor Sue Hartley** (Biology)
  Environmental Sustainability and Resilience
- **Dr Mark Jenner** (History)
  Culture and Communication
- **Professor Thomas Krauss** (Physics)
  Technologies for the Future
- **Professor John McDermid** (Computer Science)
  Risk, Evidence and Decision-making
- **Dr Damian Murphy** (Electronics)
  Creativity
- **Professor Kate Pickett** (Health Sciences)
  Justice and Equality

Find out more about the Research Champions and their themes on the Research Champions webpages.

NCCPE Engage competition
The National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement (NCCPE) Engage Competition 2016 is now open. This year there are six competition categories, and the winner of each category will receive a prize of £1500 to go towards further public engagement work at their institution.

**Closing date: Monday 18 July 12 noon.**
Further details: [https://www.publicengagement.ac.uk/work-with-us/engage-competition-2016](https://www.publicengagement.ac.uk/work-with-us/engage-competition-2016)

ESRC Impact Acceleration Account (IAA) funding
The ESRC Impact Acceleration Account General Funding Call and Fellowship and Secondment Scheme are now accepting applications. The General Call supports knowledge exchange with a range of sectors and publics and for activity relating to any area of social science research within the ESRC’s remit (deadline: 6 July). The Fellowship and Secondment Scheme will buy out time for you to engage with external organisations and increase your impact (deadline: 26 August).

Don’t forget there is also a Responsive Mode Scheme open all year round to help fund time-critical impact generating activities costing up to £1500.

Further details: [https://www.york.ac.uk/social-science/impact-and-engagement/esrc-iaa/](https://www.york.ac.uk/social-science/impact-and-engagement/esrc-iaa/)
or contact: esrc-iaa@york.ac.uk.
Discovering Collections, Discovering Communities
Conference 2016

The National Archives and Research Libraries UK have announced this year’s Discovering Collections, Discovering Communities Conference in Manchester (10-12 Oct) – Collections, connections, collaborations: From potential to impact. This year’s conference will bring together more than 70 speakers to discuss these issues and explore the varied and innovative ways in which archives, museums, libraries and academia can help realise the potential of collections and translate this into social, cultural and economic impact.

Research staff can also take advantage of development and training from the staff development programme and our coaching scheme.

"Success is no accident. It is hard work, perseverance, learning, studying, sacrifice and most of all, love of what you are doing or learning to do."

- Pele