# Festival of Research 2022 Programme

Monday 23 May – Friday 27 May

Key:

* Hybrid – Event will be both Online and In-person
* In-person – Event will be available only in-person (Capacity will be limited)
* Online – Event will only be presented in an online space

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| **Date** | **Session** | **Brief Descriptor** | **Online, hybrid or in-person** | **Internal or External** |
| **Monday 23 May**  **11:30am - 01:00pm** | Opening Plenary | Festival of Research 2022 opens with keynote speaker Dr Stuart Fancey, Director of Research and Innovation at the Scottish Funding Council. Stuart will set out the SFC’s plans for future research support and describe several key initiatives under way involving the SFC and its partners in Higher Education and beyond.   * Welcome by Professor Judith Phillips, Deputy Principal (Research) * Chaired by Professor Iain Docherty, Dean for the Institute for Advanced Studies. | Hybrid | External |
| **Tuesday 24 May**  **10:00 – 11:30am** | What is mission-oriented research? | The session brings together a number of senior colleagues from across the University to stimulate discussion on mission-oriented research. We will address why mission-oriented approaches are becoming increasingly commonplace given the changes in the wider context for research and innovation, and what the implications of this shifting landscape might be for our research outlook at Stirling.  With panellists   * Professor Malcom MacLeod, Senior Deputy Principal * Professor Judith Phillips Deputy Principal (Research) * Professor Eddie Duncan, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Health Sciences and Sport * Chaired by Professor Iain Docherty, Dean for the Institute for Advanced Studies. | Online | Internal |
| **Tuesday 24 May**  **02:00 – 03:30pm** | Mission Oriented research – a faculty perspective | A session led by Associate Deans for Research from each Faculty who will share where discussions on this topic are within each Faculty. They will discuss which missions or challenges have been or might be identified as important to their faculty, where expertise lies, what opportunities this provides for research within strategies and where the synergies are between faculties.  With Panellists   * Professor Fiona Copland, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Social Sciences * Professor Eddie Duncan, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Health Sciences & Sport * Professor Richard Haynes, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Arts & Humanities * Professor Oliver Mallett, Stirling Management School * Professor Nigel Willby, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Natural Sciences * Chaired by Professor Rachel Norman, Dean for Research Engagement and Performance | Online | Internal |
| **Wednesday 25 May**  **10:00 – 11:30am** | Doing Interdisciplinary Doctoral Research -  Interdisciplinary Research Network (IRN) | The Interdisciplinary Research Network (IRN) is a PGR-led network for early career researchers in Scotland which aims to connect researchers across disciplines for knowledge exchange, skills development, and peer-to-peer support. This session will provide an overview of the activities of the network, as well as showcasing the range of interdisciplinary research projects across our membership through a “3-minute thesis” exercise. We will conclude with an interactive discussion on the challenges and opportunities that PGR students face in doing interdisciplinary research, from which key themes will be captured for dissemination after the event.   * Welcome by Professor Iain Docherty, Dean for the Institute for Advanced Studies * Chaired by members of the IRN | Online | TBC |
| **Wednesday 25 May**  **02:00 – 03:30pm** | Reflections on REF | We will know the outcome of the Research Excellence Framework in early May. This panel session involving Unit of Assessment Coordinators and Impact Champions will provide an opportunity to discuss the impacts of the REF on researchers and professional services colleagues, exploring how impact was shaped in this REF, and discussing the outlook for impact and engagement with end users of research in future.  With Panellists   * Dr Sandy Brownlee, Senior Lecturer in Computing Science (REF Impact Champion Faculty of Natural Sciences) * Professor Fiona Copland, Associate Dean for Research Faculty of Social Sciences * Professor Philip Ebert and Professor Nina Parish from the Faculty of Arts & Humanities * Ben Fanstone, Research Development Officer, Research, Innovation and Business Engagement (previous role Research Impact Officer) * Dr Colin Moran, Associate Professor and Impact Champion, Faculty Health Sciences & Sport * Chaired by Professor Iain Docherty, Dean for the Institute for Advanced Studies.   We also hope to be joined by Professor Nina Parish from the Faculty of Arts & Humanities. | Online | Internal |
| **Thursday 26 May**  **10:00 – 11:30am** | Speed Networking | The increase in home-working and a reduction in face-to-face events over the years of the Covid pandemic has led to less opportunity to make connections and grow networks. This speed networking session aims to bring together researchers from across different career stages and disciplines in the same space as an opportunity to spark conversations, build new connections and facilitate possible synergies. With limited spaces available, interest will be gathered via this [Expression of Interest.](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9wmNTnnMy0yRSaQjjdF0IjutA_BE_9NFvdiA4p_48QVUMU4ySFRXOTJBMTJCODJVTFFWMVYxVk4xMyQlQCNjPTEkJUAjdD1n) | In-person | Internal |
| **Thursday 26 May**  **02:00 – 03:30pm** | City Region and Growth Deal | We will be joined by John Rogers, Executive Director of Research, Innovation and Business Engagement (RIBE) and Ann Jacob-Chandler, Head of the Regional Programme Management Office for the Stirling & Clackmannanshire City Region Deal to present the City Region and Growth Deal. We will be updated on the current state of play of each of the City Deal projects, exploring what opportunities may come down the line for the researcher community, including ways in which researchers can engage and keep informed of activities.  With Speakers:   * John Rogers, Executive Director, Research Innovation and Business Engagement (RIBE) * Ann Jacob-Chandler, Head of the Regional Programme Management Office for the Stirling & Clackmannanshire City Region Deal * Chaired by Prof Rachel Norman, Dean for Research Engagement and Performance. | Hybrid | external |
| **Friday 27 May**  **10:00 – 11:30am** | Professorial Colloquium | This event will bring professorial staff from across the University, including colleagues from the Research Environment Group (REG), to explore leadership, to share good practice, develop research teams, and build capacity of early career researchers. Although the panel will kick off the discussion, we hope the audience will also contribute ideas and examples of activities they organise themselves or have found valuable. We hope people will go away with an idea for one new thing to try in their own group or team.  With Panellists   * Professor Eddie Duncan, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Health Sciences and Sport and REG Chair * Dr Hannah Hale, Research Fellow, Faculty of Social Sciences and REG member * Professor Richard Haynes, Associate Dean for Research, Faculty of Arts and Humanities and REG member * Professor Tessa Parkes, Co-Director of the Salvation Army Centre for Addiction Services and Research * Chaired by Prof Rachel Norman, Dean for Research Performance and Engagement | Online | Internal |
| **Friday 27 May**  **02:00 – 03:30pm** | Research Culture Awards Ceremony. | Prof Rachel Norman, Dean for Research Engagement and Performance, and Prof Eddie Duncan Associate Dean for Research, Faculty Health Sciences and Sport and Chair of the Research Environment Group will co-host the third iteration of the Research Culture Awards Ceremony. The Awards are an opportunity to nominate colleagues across seven Research Culture Award categories and to celebrate people and groups who have positively contributed towards a vibrant research environment at Stirling. You can find out more about the Research Culture Awards and make a nomination [here.](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=9wmNTnnMy0yRSaQjjdF0Is03Ng_TA8RNvrDtriKDxKlUNVNFOTZPVjhXV1IzVEZSNlRXUUFVQlZWMC4u) Nominations will close on 19 April 2022. | Online | Internal |