

Summer Conference 2011
Strategies for Enhancing Employability: The Impact of Postgraduate Education

4th – 5th July 2011
 The Nottingham Conference Centre
 Draft Programme

Monday 4th July

10.20	Registration and Coffee	
11.10	<p>Welcome Address & Plenary Discussion <i>Delegates will have opportunity to raise issues that they hope will be addressed during the Conference with major points fed into the sessions over the two days</i></p> <p>Prof Catherine McCrohan <i>UKCGE Executive Committee</i></p>	
11.40	<p>Discussion Group A</p> <p>The Impact Agenda and REF: How far should it impact on the Doctorate?</p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i></p> <p>Dr Andrew Rawnsley <i>UKCGE Executive Committee</i></p>	<p>Discussion Group B</p> <p>The Professional Doctorate: Impact of Skills and Research Training on Enhanced Employability (in the World of Work)</p> <p><i>Facilitator:</i></p> <p>Prof Tony Fell <i>UKCGE Executive Committee</i></p>
12.30	Lunch	
13.30	<p>Plenary 1</p> <p>PG Education and Employability in the Charity and Medical Research Sectors</p> <p>Dr Elizabeth Robertson, <i>Director of Operations, Cancer Research UK</i></p>	
14.05	Discussion	
14.25	<p>Workshop 1</p> <p>Enterprise Schools and 'Entrepreneurial Training'</p> <p>Dr Lowry McComb, <i>Director of Postgraduate Training, University of Durham</i></p>	<p>Workshop 2</p> <p>Public Engagement</p> <p>Davina Whitnall, <i>Postgraduate Skills Training Officer, Faculty of Life Sciences, University of Manchester' University of Manchester</i></p>
15.25	Plenary Discussion on Workshops 1 & 2 and on Discussion Groups A & B	
15.45	Tea & Coffee Break	
16.05	<p>Plenary 2</p> <p>Higher Education and Industry: the Context</p> <p>Peter Forbes, <i>Associate Director, Employability & Employer Engagement, Council for Industry and Higher Education</i></p>	
16.40	Discussion	
17.00	Close of Session	
19.15	Pre-dinner Drinks Reception	
19.45	Conference Dinner	

Tuesday 5th July

09.15	Registration (for Day 2 only delegates) and Coffee	
09.30	Plenary 3 Dreams of the Future: Postgraduate Career Ambitions – and Realities Elizabeth Wilkinson , <i>Postgraduate Skills and Career Development, University of Manchester</i>	
10.05	Discussion	
10.30	Discussion Group C (Delegates attend allocated Group) Professional Internships for PhD Students (PIPS) Clare Bhunoo , <i>BBSRC</i>	Discussion Group D (Delegates attend allocated Group) Researcher careers, impact and employability: the case for sustaining provision Alison Mitchell , <i>Vitae</i>
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12.30	UKCGE Business Meeting & Lunch	
14.00	Workshop 3 Employer Engagement Dr David Sargan , <i>Biological Sciences Graduate School, University of Cambridge</i>	Workshop 4 Meeting the expectations of employers Gill Clarke <i>UKCGE Executive Committee</i>
15.00	Plenary 4 Industry's Needs for the Next Generation of Postgraduates – An Industrialist's Perspective Professor Gordon France , <i>Vice President, Quality, Strategy & Performance, Pharmaceutical Development, AstraZeneca</i>	
15.35	Discussion	
15.45	Plenary Discussion Panel	
15.55	Concluding Remarks	
16.00	Close of Conference & Departure	