Communications

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Objectives of this session

- What EPSRC communications tools are currently used?
- What channels do you use to communicate to researchers?
- How can we make it easier for you and researchers to receive the appropriate information?
5 STEPS TO SUCCESSFUL FUNDING: EPSRC / CRUK MULTIDISCIPLINARY AWARD SCHEME

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Balancing our portfolio

To maintain the EPSRC’s global research standing in light of increasing competition, and with limited funding available to us, we must focus our portfolio of research and strategic investment on projects which are internationally excellent and nationally important.

EPSRC will continue to champion collaborations across the engineering and physical sciences, investing in research, training and infrastructure that are judged to be excellent by peer review.

EPSRC has a responsibility to set priorities to optimise the distribution of resources to achieve the best possible outcome for its investment. Balancing capability is how EPSRC achieves this across the different research areas that make up its portfolio.

To ensure the implementation of the EPSRC’s Capability strategy, we, in 2011-12, said that the strategy required a great deal of innovation and would be for the delivery group. It was clear to us that this period was to ensure that our research area strategies support our future aspirations into the next delivery plan. The science landscape has changed to involve more needs to ensure our strategies reflect the current landscape.

Our delivery approach will continue. We will aim to refresh all of the research area strategies in the near future.

In the coming months, we will be working in partnership with you and other stakeholders to fill any knowledge gaps, collect further evidence to aid EPSRC in setting our priorities in future priorities, developing research area strategies and set trajectories for the next delivery plan.

Delivery Plan 2011-2015

Chief executive David Noddle describes the thinking behind the EPSRC’s new Delivery Plan, and sets out the Council’s goals as it embarks on an ambitious four-year transformation agenda.

Our 2013 Strategic Plan set out not just where we would accelerate the pace of change, keep the UK at the heart of global research and innovation, and deliver greater impact than ever before. Our Delivery Plan for 2011-15 builds on this, and shows how we will be more active in partnering with the research community to support the fundamental knowledge and develop the skilled people necessary to business, other research organisations and government.

In essence, our delivery plan is about getting the most out of the resources we have been given; the research we support; the facilities we use; the leadership who inspire us. It has three key goals, set out in our Strategic Plan: Delivery Impact, Shaping Capability and Developing Leaders. We will achieve these objectives through stronger, more active partnerships with the research community as part of a transformative agenda built around a “sustainable” model of research investment, in which funding is strategically focused.”

Further information: http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/about/plan
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