

Higher Education Partnership Roundtable- Unlocking Future Possibilities

Programme

Date & Time of the meeting: 7 December 2022, 14:30 – 17:10

Venue: Taj Mahal Palace, Rendezvous Hall.

Objective:

The event will be a face-to-face event with the aim of:

- Raising awareness of opportunities for research collaboration
- Increase the number of research collaborations between Indian and Scottish Universities
- Raise awareness of opportunities for collaboration through Transnational Education (TNE)
- Develop an action plan to increase engagement in this area
- Increase TNE activity between India and Scotland

Roundtable attendees:

From Scottish Government:

- Neil Gray, Minister for Culture, Europe and International Development

From British Deputy High Commission:

- Peter Cook, Deputy High Commissioner, Gujarat and Rajasthan
- Catherine Barnes, Deputy Head of Mission
- Ajitha Hathlia, Deputy Director, Trade and UK Exports South Asia (TBC)

From Indian Higher Education institutes:

- Dr. Anant Chakradeo, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Dean and Director MIT- ADT university
- Dr. Vidya Yeravdekar, Pro Chancellor, Symbiosis University
- Dr. Anita Patankar, Director, Symbiosis University
- Dr Satyendra K Upadhyay, Director International Relations, Somaiya Vidyavihar University
- Dr Shalini Bharat, Director and Vice Chancellor, Tata Institute of Social Sciences
- Prof. Jayashree Shinde, Head Department of Educational training, SNDT Women's University
- Prof. Avinash M Mahajan, Dean Academic Programmes, IIT Bombay,
- Dr Rajendra Shinde, Principal, St Xavier's College
- Meena Saxena, Director International Linkages, NMIMS
- Prof. Minal Pathak, Senior Scientist, Global Centre for Environment and energy, Ahmedabad University

From UKRI: (Virtual)

- Geeny Shaju, Acting Deputy Director

From Scottish Universities (In person):

- Sabarinath Vijayakumar, Country Director India, Heriot Watt
- Moyra Boland, Dean for Global engagement Central and SA, Glasgow University

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- Prof William Austin, Head of schools for Sustainable Development, University of St. Andrews
- Vir Singh Anand, Director India, University of St. Andrews,
- Amrita Sadarangani, Executive Director, University of Edinburgh
- Dr Athulya Aravind, Regional Director South Asia, University of Edinburgh

From Scottish Universities (Virtual):

- Julie Edgar, Dean of Schools of Computer engineering and Physical Sciences, University of the West of Scotland
- Prof. Hari Hundal, Academic Regional Lead South Asia, University of Dundee
- Dr Brad Mackay, Vice Principal, International Strategy and External Relations, University of St Andrews
- Apala Majumdar, Professor of Applied Mathematics, University of Strathclyde

From Royal Society of Edinburgh (Virtual):

- Prof Charles Withers FRSE, RSE Research Awards Convener

From British Council

- Alison Barrett MBE, Director India
- Rashi Jain, Director West India and Business Development Lead India
- Rajendra Tripathi, Head of Higher Education Programmes

Meeting agenda:

The meeting will cover:

- Introduction to the event
- Science Research Partnership
- Transnational Education opportunities for engagement
- Summary and Conclusion

Schedule:

Time	Event Sequence	Speaker
14.30 – 14.35	Welcome and Introductions	Rajendra Tripathi Head of Higher Education Programmes, British Council
14.35 - 14.40	Opening remarks and brief event outline	Alison Barrett MBE Director India, British Council
14.40 – 14.45	Address by the Minister	Neil Gray Minister for Culture, Europe and International Development
Session One: 14.45 – 15.45		
14.45 – 14.50	Introduction and overview on status of projects in India UKRI	Geeny Shaju Acting Deputy Director, UKRI
	Overview of UKIERI project in India	Rajendra Tripathi, Head of Higher Education Programmes, British Council

14.50 – 15.00	Outline on UKIERI research project supported under UKIERI by:	
	1. University of Edinburgh (14.50 - 14.55)	Dr Athulya Aravind Regional Director South Asia, University of Edinburgh
	2. IIT Bombay (14.55 - 15.00)	Prof. Avinash M Mahajan Dean Academic programmes, IIT Bombay
15.00 – 15.05	Overview on SAPHIRE project	Prof Charles Withers FRSE RSE Research Awards Convener, Royal Society of Edinburgh
15.05 – 15.15	Outline of SAPHIRE funded project by:	
	1. University of St Andrews (15.05 - 15.10)	Prof. William Austin Head of schools for Sustainable Development, University of St. Andrews
	2. Ahmedabad University (15.10 - 15.15)	Prof. Minal Pathak Senior Scientist, Global Centre for Environment and energy, Ahmedabad University
15.15 – 15.20	Overview of GATI project	Julie Edgar Dean of Schools of Computer engineering and Physical Sciences, University of the West of Scotland
15.20 – 15.40	Interactive discussion on the topic: <i>‘How can we increase mutually beneficial research collaboration’</i>	Moderator: Rajendra Tripathi British Council Participants: Indian and Scottish Universities Discussion: 1) Identification of emerging tech opportunities. 2) Challenges to mitigate. 3) Summary
	Closing remark	Rajendra Tripathi Head of Higher Education Programmes India, British Council
15.40 – 15.45	Thank you note	Alison Barrett MBE Director India, British Council
Session One Ends		

15.45 – 16.00	Tea Break	
Session Two: 16.00 – 17.10		
16.00 – 16.05	Introducing the panel, outline of opportunity including MRQ, Introducing the topic of discussion	Rajendra Tripathi Head of Higher Education Programmes India, British Council
16.05 – 16.20	Indian Universities introducing their work covering TNE	
16.20 – 16.30	Scottish Universities introducing their work covering TNE (remote)	Dr Brad Mackay (16.20 -16.25) Vice Principal, International strategy and External Relations, University of St. Andrews
16.30 – 17.00	Interactive session on ' <i>How can we generate collaboration in TNE</i> '	Moderator: Rashi Jain Director West India and Business Development Lead India, British Council
	Summary on the way forward to increase collaboration in TNE	
17.00 – 17.05	Concluding remarks and Next steps	Rashi Jain Director West India and Business Development Lead India, British Council
17.05 – 17.10	Thank you note and close	Geoff Pope Asia Team Leader, Scottish Government International Division
End of Roundtable		