



Updates from the RQI team

Welcome to this newsletter edition from the Research Quality and Impact team. Please see important news items and reminders below. You can view all previous newsletters on our <u>Updates</u> <u>from the RQI team page</u>.

News

2024 Research Impact Awards shortlist announced!

The Research Quality and Impact team are delighted to announce the shortlisted entries to this year's Research Impact Awards.

All submitted entries have been through an internal review process to produce our shortlist, which are the highest-ranking entries for each cluster (Arts and Humanities, Medicine, Sciences, Social Sciences) in each award category. This introduction of a shortlisting stage for the first time also makes it possible to showcase even more of Sussex's high-quality research and how it is championed.

As with previous years, the Research Impact Awards seek to recognise, reward and celebrate Sussex colleagues who have created, led or supported outstanding real-world impact from research across all disciplines and career levels.

See the shortlist here.

REF Box folders

In the coming weeks, RQI will be streamlining the Box folders that hold REF-related School/UoA documents so that, going forward, each UoA has one folder where all REF-related documents are stored. To make sure the correct people have access to these folders, please let us know of any recent relevant role changes.

People, Culture & Environment pilot exercise

The RQI team submitted an expression of interest for participation in the PCE pilot last month, and we are awaiting confirmation of whether we will be included. More information about the pilot exercise is slated to be released in July, so we anticipate receiving confirmation of participation within the next few weeks. You can see REF's timetable for the PCE pilot here.

Reminders

Sussex Impact Days

Attenborough Centre | Tuesday 18 and Wednesday 19 June

Our programme for this year's impact days has been carefully designed so that it provides an inclusive environment for all Sussex staff and students, including those who might be new to impact as well as those who might be looking for a refresher on what they know about impact already.

- Who are our opening keynote speakers? Sussex welcomes experts in research assessment and consortium working, Jonathan Piotrowski, Director of REF Policy at Research England, and Phil Ward, Director of Eastern Arc, for our opening keynotes. If you would like to register for our keynote, please follow the links for Day 1 here and Day 2 here. Both of our keynotes are preceded by morning refreshments.
- What else is happening in our programme? Whether you are new to impact or looking for a refresher, our What is impact, why does it matter and how to incorporate it into your funding bids event on the first day explains what you need to know about research impact, how it might be relevant for you and your research (or the research you support), and what funders are looking for on the subject of impact.

Extended lunchtime events on both days, where lunch will be provided, aim to equip you with information on how to talk about your research and identify its potential impact as well information on how to plan, capture and evidence your impact, or the impact from the research you support. These events offer colleagues a great opportunity to experience a mixture of discussion, activities, learning, networking and demonstrations with colleagues who support impact, at the Let's talk about impact: meet your impact support teams from across Sussex event on the first day and the Impact tools and how to use them: an interactive session over lunch on the second day.

You can view our full programme with all the links to register for the events here.

Send External Research Advisor information to RQI

RQI maintain a central list of ERA information. Please send the following details of any ERAs associated with your School/UoA to rqi@sussex.ac.uk:

- ERA's name
- ERA's institution

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