



Let's Collaborate!



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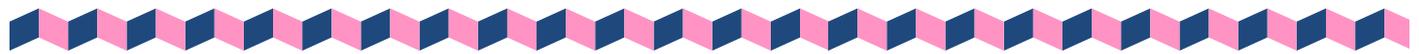
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## Programme



09:30 am **Registration**



10:00 am **Welcome** - Steven Marwick, Evaluation Support Scotland

10:30 am **Evidence for Success: Collaborating with academics guide**  
Dr Cassy Rutherford, The Robertson Trust

10:45 am **Brokering third sector / academia collaborations**  
Shelley Breckenridge, Interface  
John McAteer, Scottish Collaboration for Public Health Policy and Research

11:00 am **What works in setting up collaborations** (facilitated discussion)



11:30 am **Coffee break** ☕



11:45 am **Making collaboration work: good practice case studies**

- **InterAction: Carnegie UK Trust / University of Newcastle** - Jenny Brotchie, Carnegie UK Trust
- **Doing and evaluating community research: Connected Communities and University of Stirling** - Dr Peter Matthews, University of Stirling
- **Drink Wise, Age Well: Addaction and Glasgow Caledonian University** - Graeme Callander, Drink Wise Age Well and Lawrie Elliott, GCU

12:35 pm **Stairway to impact** (facilitated discussion)  
What steps should we take to make sure the collaboration maximises the impact of the research conducted?



1:00 pm **Networking lunch** 🍴



1:45 pm **Breakout sessions** (see page overleaf for details)

3:45 pm **Closing remarks**

4:00 pm **End of event**



## Breakout sessions



**Breakout session 1:** *Supporting social innovation and better collaboration* (Fiona Malcolm, Scottish Government and Anne MacDonald, Highlands and Islands Enterprise)

The Scottish Government and [Highlands and Islands Enterprise](#) have been working together to combat poverty and promote social inclusion in Scotland. Their interests lie in building capability and resources in the social economy, and supporting social innovation and better collaboration with academia and research institutions.

The social innovation focus is new and these two Research Forum members are keen to ensure it encourages interest across the social economy and academia. But as this is not something they have developed before, they are looking for help, advice and support from this event's participants.



**Breakout session 2:** *Collaboration, what's in it for me?* (Nicola Allan, Scottish Universities Insight Institute)

The Knowledge Translation Network sets out in its *Evidence for Success: Collaborating with academics guide* the benefits for third sector and academia to work collaboratively. Benefits for third sector organisations include increasing skills/capacity around data; access expert advice on methodology and evidence, and access a wider evidence base. For academics benefits include testing practical applications of research; make research relevant to the third sector and the needs of the people they work with, and meet some of the knowledge exchange requirements set out in the Research Excellence Framework (REF).

At this breakout session participants can expect to:

- Get a better understanding of the context in which third sector organisations and academics operate (e.g. REF requirements).
- Hear about successful examples of collaboration.
- Explore issues around funding of research in the third sector.



**Breakout session 3:** *Share it to shape it: Consultation on TSRF plans* (TSRF members )

This session is an opportunity for TSRF members to share their plans to produce research on hot topics like 'co-production' and 'inclusive growth'. It offers participants a chance to share research and feed in ideas too. If these are areas that your work directly/indirectly relates to or you simply are interested about, come along and 'share it to shape it'!

