



## HEPI / Elsevier Research Conference

### 'UK Research Looking Forward'

Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), 66 Portland Place, London W1B 1AD  
Wednesday 1 March 2023  
9.30am to 2.30pm

#### *Agenda (subject to change)*

- 9.30am Registration and coffee
- 9.55am Welcome from Nick Hillman, HEPI Director
- 10.00am **Keynote Address**  
**(Chair: Nick Hillman)**  
George Freeman MP, Minister of State, Department for Science, Innovation and Technology
- 10.25am **UK's research and innovation performance in a global landscape**  
Dr Andrew Plume, Vice President of Research Evaluation, Elsevier
- 10.40am **UK research: Reflecting on REF 2021 and the journey to 2.4%**  
**(Chair: Lesley Thompson)**
- Professor Dame Jessica Corner, Executive Chair, Research England
  - Heather Bovill, Deputy Director for Surveys and Economic Indicators, Office for National Statistics
  - Professor Sarah Main, Executive Director, CaSE
- 11.30am Coffee and networking break
- 11.50am **Security and resilience of UK research in an ever-changing world**  
**(Chair: Bahram Bekhradnia)**
- Dr Karen Salt, Deputy Director, R&I System Diversity and Security, UKRI



- Chi Onwurah MP, Shadow Minister (Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy)
- Henry Hughes, Chief Technology Officer – Cyber Security, Jisc

12.40pm

**What kind of research culture enables researchers to take risks?  
(Chair: Nick Fowler)**

- Stephanie Smith, Head of Policy (Research and International), The Russell Group
- Dr Julie Maxton, Executive Director, The Royal Society
- Dr Blessing Marandure, FHEA Interim Deputy Programme Leader (Undergraduate Psychology Programmes) and Senior Lecturer in Psychology & Fair Outcomes Champion, De Montfort University

1.30pm

Lunch

2.30pm

Conference closes