



Impact & Policy Training for ECRs

Tuesday 16 January 2018, Leicester, UK

Proficiency in impact is a key skill for researchers.

Research arising from the **International Ocean Discovery Program** has potential to generate significant impact. Having sampled and measured the seafloor across the world's oceans, IODP's open-source data continues to prove valuable to commercial organisations, including within the resource sectors. Equally, with the IODP Science Plan including societally relevant themes such as climate & sea-level change and geohazards, there is potential for UK IODP scientists' research to influence policy.

This one-day training programme, will include a morning session centred on understanding impact and building it into research plans. A limited number of participants will go on to attend an afternoon session of more focused training in impact through public policy. Delivered by communications consultancy Bulletin, the training will equip participants with key tools, ensuring they leave with a clear appreciation of impact and how to realise it.



Location & Organisation:

Where: The training will take place at the College Court conference facility of the University of Leicester

When: Tuesday 16 January 2018

Who: A maximum of 25 participants will be invited to the morning session. A subset of the 25 will be invited to stay on for the afternoon session. Participants will be selected on the quality of their application, but we hope to achieve insitutional and research diversity in terms of the participant pool.

Application Information:

To apply please send your application documents to: ukiodp_kef@le.ac.uk

- Completed application form (below)
- Cover letter outlining: current research; links to IODP; thoughts on impact potential of research; motivation to attend (max. 1 page)
- Brief letter of support from supervisor (if postgraduate)

Deadline for applications: Friday 1 December 2017

There is no course fee. Reasonable travel and subsistence will be covered by UK IODP. For participants travelling from further away, accommodation can be provided for 1 night at College Court.

SCHEDULE

Morning (25 participants):

- what is impact?
- why does impact matter?
- Quantifying, evidencing and storing impact
- Planning impact for your own research area
- Incorporating impact into research design
- Impact for grant applications and the next REF

Afternoon (6 participants):

- Identifying policy areas relevant to your research
- Developing engagement processes
- Presenting your findings in ways that work for policy makers
- Getting policy makers to acknowledge your research

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Applications will be accepted until close of play on **Friday 1 December 2017**. A maximum of 25 participants can be accepted to attend the training in Leicester. 6 of the 25 participants will be invited to attend an afternoon focus session on impact through public policy. It is anticipated that all applicants will be notified of the outcome of the application by Friday 8 December 2017.

Participant Information

Surname:

First name:

Affiliation:

Job title/position:

Email:

Gender:

Date of Birth (DD/MM/YYYY):

Supervisor (if postgraduate):

Questions

Have you previously undertaken any impact or policy training?

Does your research use IODP data and/or samples?