THE LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE

RISE

Research and Innovation Sessions

Programme Brochure 2026-27

“RISe is about building confidence by giving academic, research and policy staff the skills needed to take control of their research and innovation trajectory”.

About the RISe Programme

Welcome to the 2026-2027 LSE Research and Innovation Sessions (RISe) Programme.

This booklet is meant to introduce you to the sessions on offer this academic year, and to help you find the sessions right for you and your research and innovation journey.

The RISe programme provides a range of workshops, seminars and panels that support academic, research and policy staff in realising their research and innovation goals. The programme covers a broad range of topics, from project management, to funding, to research commercialisation.

The programme is coordinated by the Research & Innovation Division, and sessions are delivered in collaboration with colleagues from across LSE.

As your research career develops, and the research and innovation funding landscape evolves, we hope you will use the sessions available through this programme to build and develop the skills that you need to flourish.

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How to Enrol

You can book sessions for the RISe Programme on MyStaffDevelopment. Please ensure you log-in in using SSO. In addition, links to each session are included in this brochure and on the RISe webpage.

Please note that some sessions scheduled to happen later in the year will become bookable once the exact dates have been confirmed. However, you can enrol onto a course before sessions are live to express your interest and receive notifications.

Most sessions have a limited number of places and, when places are no longer available, you will be assigned to a waiting list. You will receive an email from the system if a place becomes available.

If you need to cancel, please ensure you disenrol from the session under 'My Activities' on the MyStaffDevelopment platform to free up spaces.

Session Locations

RISe takes place in person (on the LSE campus), online, or in hybrid format. When enrolling, please make sure that you check if it is in-person or virtual.

There is an option to add accessibility requirements when you enrol so please do so, or email N.Van-Der-Elst@lse.ac.uk.

How to Select your Sessions

RISe is categorised according to Vitae's Researcher Development Framework. To identify the sessions that are most useful for you, please refer to the next page. If you want to know more about a session before enrolling, please contact N.Van-Der-Elst@lse.ac.uk.

We encourage research and policy staff and early career investigators to discuss RISe Programme participation with their principal investigator, line manager or mentor, and to integrate RISe as part of your planned career development activities.

Target Audiences

The RISe Programme is available for all academic, research and policy staff. In addition, it is relevant for professional service staff who support and contribute to research and innovation activity.

Although PhD students are not the primary target audience of the RISe Programme, some events are open to booking by postgraduate researchers (PGRs), based on availability. PGRs are encouraged to look to the PhD Academy to meet their development needs. Select sessions may be open to students and advertised on the PhD Academy training and events page.

The Programme is not open to undergraduate or MA/MSc students.

Vitae's Researcher Development Framework

RISe is categorised according to Vitae's Researcher Development Framework (RDF).

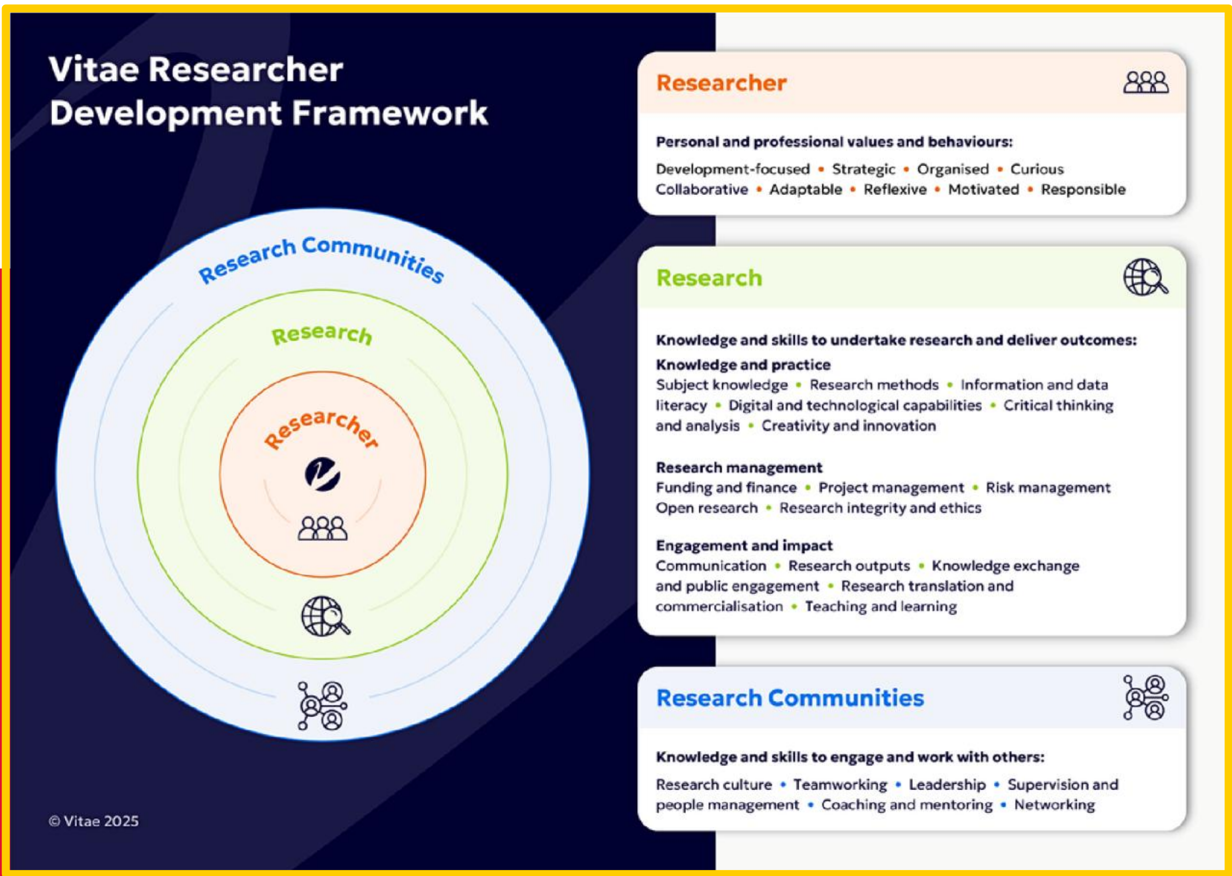
The RDF is a sector-led model that defines the values, knowledge, and behaviours of effective researchers for today's evolving research and innovation landscape.

It recognises the importance of connections between the professional and career development of researchers and initiatives to further knowledge exchange, research integrity, open research, and research culture.

The RDF is divided into three groups: '**Researcher**', '**Research**' and '**Research Communities**'.

Each group has various subgroups ranging from 'Digital and Technological Capabilities' to 'Funding and Finance'.

Each RISe session has been categorised into these groups - see the next page.



Sessions in the 2026-27 Academic Year

Each RISe session has been grouped into the following categories, based on Vitae's RDF.

To go directly to the various sessions under each theme, **click on the categories** below. The title for each session is a link to the enrolment page.

Researcher

Personal and professional values and behaviours:

- Development-focused

Research

Knowledge and skills to undertake research and deliver outcomes:

- Risk Management
- Research Integrity & Ethics
- Research Methods
- Project Management
- Funding & Finance
- Communication
- Research Outputs
- Knowledge Exchange & Public Engagement
- Digital & Tech Capabilities
- Creativity & Innovation
- Research Translation & Commercialisation

Research Communities

Knowledge and skills to engage and work with others:

- Coaching & Mentoring
- Networking

Development-Focused

Takes ownership of ongoing professional development, building skills, capabilities, and experiences to support career growth, adaptability, and mobility.

Imposter Busters

This interactive session explores impostor feelings, self-doubt, perfectionism, procrastination and fear of failure in research environments. Participants identify common patterns, reflect on their own experiences and develop practical strategies to build grounded confidence. The session is also useful for those who want to understand and support colleagues affected by impostor feelings.
Participants will:

- recognise common aspects of impostor phenomenon
- identify links between self-doubt, procrastination and self-sabotage
- develop more helpful ways of thinking about their work and abilities
- recognise values and strengths that support confidence
- support peers and colleagues experiencing impostor feelings.

An Introduction to the Vitae Researcher Development Framework

This introductory session explores how researchers can use the Vitae Researcher Development Framework (RDF) to support their professional development and career planning.

The session will begin with an overview of Vitae's role in supporting researchers and signpost key resources for further exploration. It will then explain the purpose and structure of the RDF, highlighting how this shared framework can help researchers recognise their strengths, identify development priorities and consider future goals across a wide range of career pathways. Finally, participants will be introduced to the RDF Planner and how it can be used to record reflections and turn career and development priorities into practical next steps.

Participants will:

- gain an overview of Vitae and its key resources
- understand the purpose of the RDF and how it supports researcher development
- explore how the RDF and RDF Planner can support reflection, career planning and practical next steps.

Early Career Researcher (ECR) Network Writing Circles

Writing Circles are designed to provide dedicated time to progress writing projects in a supportive environment. Example projects include book chapters, journal articles, research proposals, blogs, policy outputs, and reports.

These sessions will include a 5-minute check-in at the start to allow you to share hints and tips (optional) and to focus on what you want to achieve in the session. The remaining time will be dedicated to writing. Another 5-minute check-in at the end will allow you to share your progress and how you found this exercise.

This is a no-pressure, supportive and informal space to come together online with other ECRs to write, keep each other accountable, and share tips and challenges you've found with your writing process.

Risk Management

Effectively assesses and manages all risks related to a research project or activity.

Protect Your Research, Protect Yourself

Learn how the R&I Contracts team supports you to meet funder and legal requirements, protect intellectual property, manage research risks and avoid common issues that can delay projects and agreements. This introductory session provides an overview of the key processes that help protect you and your research.

Protect Your Research: Due Diligence Essentials

Know your research partners. Learn how to identify and assess potential risks when working with external organisations, funders and researchers. This bite-size session introduces the principles of research due diligence, helping you make informed collaboration decisions and meet institutional and funder requirements.

Protect Your Research: Research Contract Essentials

Discover how research contracts support successful collaborations by clarifying responsibilities, protecting intellectual property and managing risk. This bite-size session explains the contracting process, key agreement terms and practical ways to work effectively with the Contracts team to secure agreements and keep projects on track.

Protect Your Research: Research Security Essentials

Learn how to identify and manage research security risks associated with international collaboration, sensitive research areas and external partnerships. This bite-size session provides practical guidance on protecting research, data, intellectual property and reputation while supporting secure, open and responsible global collaboration.

Research Ethics & Integrity

Upholds integrity in research by applying ethical, legal, and professional standards; addresses challenges transparently and responsibly, supporting good governance throughout the research process.

Paying Research Contributors and Participants: What You Need to Know

This session provides practical guidance on how to budget for, offer, and administer payments to research participants and public contributors at LSE, covering the financial and compliance considerations that apply across research contexts. Paying participants and contributors fairly and correctly is increasingly recognised as both an ethical imperative and a compliance requirement. Getting it right protects participants, researchers, and LSE — and getting it wrong can have consequences for audit, funder relationships, and institutional reputation. This session is designed to give staff the knowledge and confidence to make the right decisions from the outset of their research

UKRIO Courses

The UK Research Integrity Office (UKRIO) have developed the following suite of online courses. They are now open to LSE students and staff. The modules serve as foundational courses for early-career researchers (including PhD students), and as refresher for experienced researchers.

The courses can be taken in any order and independently from each other. Each course includes interactive activities, quizzes, and practical resources.

Learners can download a UKRIO certificate of completion at the end of each course. Technical user guidance is available (see instructions for URL users), including how to pause and resume the course.

UKRIO Introduction to Research Ethics

This 3 to 4-hour course covers the principles and practice of research ethics, including ethical standards and guidance from research conception to dissemination.

The course contains the following modules:

- Foundations of Research Ethics;
- Research Ethics in Context;
- Embedding Ethics in Research;
- Participant Information and Researcher Safety.

UKRIO Sensitive Research

This 1-hour course provides specialised guidance on emotionally challenging research, potential risks and benefits, context, perspective, and practical considerations.

The course contains the following modules:

- Definitions of emotionally challenging or sensitive research
- Complexities, risks, and benefits of undertaking such research
- Positionality and its influence on emotionally challenging or sensitive research
- Challenges posed by both primary and secondary data in this context.

UKRIO Research with Children and Young People

This 1-hour course focuses on the unique responsibilities and ethical considerations when working with younger participants.

The course contains the following modules:

- Legal definitions of children and young people;
- Key ethical principles, and what they mean in practice;
- The concepts of consent, assent, and dissent;
- Participatory methods used in research with children and young people;
- Important considerations when using digital or online tools;
- Key ongoing ethical debates and challenges.

Research Methods

Develops knowledge of and is able to integrate suitable research methods, techniques and approaches, including interdisciplinary approaches where appropriate. Is able to explain and justify the chosen design and/or approach.

Participatory Research Workshop Series

The Participatory Research workshop series aims to bring together LSE researchers involved in participatory research to explore best practice and methods and reflect on shared experiences and challenges. This has included sessions such as 'Navigating ethical issues in participatory research' and 'Using film in participatory research'. Resources from past Participatory Research workshops are available on the Engagement and Impact training page.

LSE researchers can also join the Participatory Research Network Teams channel to connect with other LSE community members interested in participatory research: LSE-Participatory-Research-Network (Team) | General | Microsoft Teams.

Upcoming sessions include:

'Planning and developing participatory research with intention to ensure effective participation'
Why choose to do participatory research? What role does intention play in making effective participation possible? In this session, Dr Jo Hemlatha (LSE Department of Anthropology) will draw on examples from their own participatory research using narrative practices to show the importance of awareness and intention when developing participatory research projects.

Project Management

Applies project management techniques to deliver research on time, within budget, and to agreed outcomes.

Managing a Research Grant

This session focuses on managing a research grant at LSE. It will begin with a panel discussion, bringing together LSE principal investigators who will share how they approached writing successful applications and reflect on the realities of managing funded projects, including leadership, workload, and decision-making once the grant is awarded.

The session will also run through how research awards are managed at LSE, including key processes around HR and finance, agreements, reporting, auditing, and compliance. We will explain how responsibilities are shared across professional services teams and how institutional support helps researchers meet funder requirements.

This session is ideal for researchers who want to better understand both the academic and operational aspects of delivering funded research, and how LSE can support them in achieving their research goals within funder expectations.

Funding and Finance

Identifies funding mechanisms and income-generating opportunities, understands application processes, and adheres to funding agreements.

Funding 101: UK Funding Principles and the Support for External Research Funding at LSE

Join the Research Development Team for a short webinar to learn essential information about available research funding support, and the context behind our policies and procedures at LSE. This session provides a snapshot of research funding support and the wider context at LSE to help you make the most of the help on offer to LSE academics and researchers.

We will cover the different services available to staff applying for, or managing, a research grant, including submission procedures and compliance. The information presented will also outline the School's incentives schemes, internal funding schemes, and wider research funding landscape.

Funding 101: Navigating the UK Funding Landscape - An Expert Guide to the UK SHAPE funding bodies

Curious about UK research, impact and innovation funding? In this session, you'll get a clear, accessible introduction to major UK funders such as the Leverhulme Trust, Nuffield Foundation, UKRI Funding Bodies, and the British Academy; and the funding opportunities that may be relevant to your research and innovation agenda.

We'll also break down the core principles that underpin the UK funding system, walk you through the key terminology from funder guidance and what they actually mean, and show you how to find opportunities that align with your interests and career goals. Designed to demystify the complex UK landscape, this session will navigate the key funding pathways offering you greater confidence and insight.

EU Funding Guidance for Researchers

Planning an EU-funded grant application? This session will help you identify the right call for your research and provide tips and practical advice to maximise your chances of success.

Introduction to Research Budgets

This session will give you the tools to get started with your grant application budget. It will cover both LSE and funder terminology, advice on who to contact for staff costs and overheads, and how best to formulate your research expenses. A large part of many grant applications will be the rationale for your budget. We will cover how to effectively justify your resources and persuade a funder that your application presents value for money. This session will be particularly helpful for those new to costing research, and for those working on budgets for larger grants, including teams of researchers.

Navigating the World of Postdoctoral Funding: An Introduction

This introductory session will highlight key UK and EU funding opportunities that are available to you, such as early career fellowships and grants. We'll walk you through the different types of postdoctoral funding and share important upcoming deadlines to help you plan ahead including:

- A deep dive into the ESRC Postdoctoral Fellowships Ideal for those nearing submission or recently awarded their PhD, this session will outline eligibility, timelines, and what makes a competitive application.
- Guidance on wider postdoctoral opportunities for SHAPE ECRs Learn about additional UK and EU fellowship schemes and early-career grants that could be a strong fit for your research trajectory

Pitch Perfect: Turn Your Idea into a Fundable Research Proposal

Learn what it takes to design a well-structured, competitive funding bid! This interactive workshop demystifies the essential ingredients of a successful research proposal.

Through practical exercises with your peers, you'll refine your research question and ideas, explore what funders look for, and step into the role of a reviewer to gain insight into the evaluation process.

Expect collaborative discussions and greater confidence and vision in how to win research funding.

Researching with Japan - Information Session by the JSPS

Interested in expanding your international research with Japanese universities?

Join a hybrid session and meet with the London team of the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS) for a range of opportunities to collaborate with Japanese institutions. The session will provide an overview of JSPS schemes designed to support researchers in developing new research projects with Japanese institutions and visiting Japan or research.

Whether you are exploring a new collaboration or looking to take an existing partnership to the next level, this session will help you identify the most appropriate funding opportunities and understand how JSPS can support your international research ambitions. This session is co-hosted by the International Strategy and Academic Partnerships team and R&I.

Unlock LSE Funding for International Research Collaboration

Interested in building or expanding your international research partnerships?

Join the International Strategy and Academic Partnerships (ISAP) team for an information session introducing LSE's portfolio of international research collaboration funding opportunities. The session will provide an overview of ISAP-managed schemes designed to support researchers in developing new global partnerships, strengthening strategic collaborations, and generating the foundations for larger externally funded projects.

Whether you are exploring a new collaboration or looking to take an existing partnership to the next level, this session will help you identify the most appropriate funding opportunities and understand how ISAP can support your international research ambitions.

LSE Seed Research Fund Information Session

This session is intended for academic staff, research staff including postdoctoral researchers, LSE Fellows, research and policy fellows, who are looking to apply to the LSE Seed Research Fund, and have questions or clarifications needed in relation to the funding call and application process.

Fellowship/Grant Writing Clinics

These clinics are designed for small groups of researchers who are preparing a draft application to a specific funding opportunity with a set deadline. Together, we'll dive into proposal with shared peer-review time to provide tailored, actionable feedback on each participant's proposal.

You will assess an application to identify strengths, highlight areas for development, and share your feedback with your peers. Throughout the session, facilitators will guide the process, framing feedback through the lens of funders' expectations and drawing on their experience of what makes a proposal succeed.

Clinics are delivered by the Research Development Team for specific funding opportunities only. Participants will be directly invited to join.

Communication

Uses suitable platforms, methods, and media to communicate research, ensuring language and approaches are tailored to target audiences

How to do a 100-word Summary of Impact

In this 15-minute bitesize session, we'll explore a simple structure for writing a clear and concise 100-word impact summary that explains what changed, who benefited, and why it matters. You'll leave with practical tips, examples, and a useful template to help you communicate impact effectively.

Pitch like a Startup

Want to build confidence sharing an idea and convincing an audience to support it? Join LSE Generate for an introduction to some of the main approaches to pitching a startup idea and exploring how these techniques can be used to pitch other things, including research, funding and impact.

An Introduction to Blogging

This workshop, led by Laurence Radford (Senior Managing Editor, LSE Blogs), will offer an introductory overview of academic blogging, showing how it can help you maximise the reach and impact of your work in academia and beyond, with a particular focus on translating a journal article into a blog post.

Research Outputs

Develops and shares diverse outputs, practices, and activities to maximise the quality and impact of research.

Introduction to Research Excellence Framework (REF)

This information session will introduce the Research Excellence Framework (REF), outlining what it is, why it matters, and how it aligns with the School's strategic priorities. We will explore the REF's implications for LSE as an institution as well as for individual researchers, helping you understand how REF processes, expectations, and assessments shape our research environment.

For more information, visit our REF webpages.

Knowledge Exchange & Public Engagement

Shares knowledge to benefit policy, society, the environment and the economy through public engagement and other activities, ensuring mutual benefit through interaction and listening.

More information about the dedicated support available at LSE for research impact and engagement can be found on LSE's Engagement and Impact Hub, including resources, funding opportunities and events.

Research Impact Q&A: Drop-in Impact Panel

This drop-in Q&A session will provide participants with an opportunity to ask questions to an impact panel. The conversational session will provide space for us to collectively share research impact best practice and help participants better understand research impact, including for REF2029. Expect collaborative discussions informed and guided by expert input.

Anatomy of a REF Impact Case Study

This one-hour information session will explore the key components of a REF impact case study and the role each plays in building a strong submission. Participants will gain a practical understanding of case study structure, common challenges, and best practice approaches to developing a clear, credible and evidence-based impact narrative.

How to Get an Impact Testimonial/Supporting Statement and Use It

A bitesize information session that explores - for REF2029 or any form of impact reporting - best practice for requesting, collecting, and using a testimonial or supporting statement as Impact Case Study evidence. The session will establish the key components of a successful and strong testimonial whilst exploring tips for requesting them from your partners and collaborators.

Types of Impact Evidence and How to Use Them

A bitesize information session exploring the various types of evidence possible for a REF 2029 Impact Case Study - and useful for any form of impact reporting - and how to use them to enhance your impact claims and narrative.

Planning Research Impact and Evidence Pathways

This session will explore why research impact matters, how to use tools such as Theory of Change and Logic Models to articulate impact pathways, and work through how to identify and plan for metrics for evidencing impact in context.

Engaging the (new) Government

This session will explore how your research might shape the policies of the new UK government led by Prime Minister Andy Burnham and those scrutinising its work. Learn more about the best ways to get your research in front of the right people at the right time, and how LSE can support you.

This session will be led by Greg Taylor and the Public Affairs team in collaboration with LSE Communications.

Ignite New Possibilities: Identify research partners, funders and new markets with FirstIgnite

FirstIgnite is an AI-powered platform that helps universities, hospitals, charities and foundations identify and engage research, funding and commercial partners. This practical, interactive session will introduce how the platform can be used to discover collaborators, funders and routes to market, supporting research impact, knowledge exchange and commercialisation.

Hosted by Horatio Mortimer, Senior Business Innovation Manager, and Anna Douglas, Partnership Development Manager in the Impact and Innovation Team, the session will demonstrate how data-driven intelligence can help researchers and professional services colleagues identify opportunities beyond existing networks and build more strategic external partnerships.

The session is relevant to academic, research and policy staff, early career researchers and professional services colleagues involved in areas such as careers, consultancy and executive education. Participants will be invited to share specific organisations, sectors, activities or events they would like to engage with, and we will use FirstIgnite to explore practical next steps for making those connections.

Digital & Technological Capabilities

Uses existing and emerging technologies and tools as required for research, scholarly activity, dissemination and innovation.

Uncovering Hidden Impacts: Using Overton to understand the influence your work has on policy

Understand how your work is being used in government reports, guidelines and white papers - and demonstrate real-world impact. This workshop walks you through the basics of using Overton to explore the policy landscape of your field and pinpoint the role your research plays. We'll dig into Overton's database containing millions of policy documents and grey literature and show you how to identify the evidence they cite. We'll cover the main ways to use Overton, create automated reports of your research's policy impact, and explore a few case studies.

Practical policy reporting: an Overton workshop

This hour-long session promises a practical and focused workshop on making the most of Overton when used for reporting on the reach and impact of LSE research across the policy landscape. We aim to explore (among other things) how:

- to find reference and mention of people beyond their specific research outputs.
- to search for multiple people at once (think departments).
- to find mention of blogs and websites in policy documents.

The idea is for this to be a deep dive into your specific reporting questions, so please come with your own examples for us to work through – or send in advance to Library.Bibliometrics@lse.ac.uk.

Going Viral: Finding who is talking about your research online with Altmetric

While traditional metrics take time, online engagement with research is visible right after publication. This workshop introduces Altmetric, a tool that tracks online mentions of your research in real time. We'll show you how to find mentions of your work on X/Twitter, Bluesky, Facebook, news sites, YouTube, podcasts and more. You'll learn how to analyse the online attention your publications receive, create sharable reports demonstrating their reach, and benchmark your publications against others in your field.

Creativity & Innovation

Identifies new trends and creates opportunities to improve ideas, build knowledge and enhance outcomes

Entrepreneurial Thinking

In this interactive session, you will learn how to apply entrepreneurial tools (such as problem definition, lean startup methods, rapid prototyping and user-centred design) to non-startup challenges.

Research Translation & Commercialisation

Identifies mechanisms and opportunities to transform ideas and outcomes into products, processes and services.

Introduction to LSE Consulting and Framework Projects

This session will introduce LSE Consulting and Framework Projects, outlining how we support academics, the frameworks we are involved in, and the collaboration opportunities available, followed by a brief Q&A on working with Consulting.

LSE Consulting Hubs

This session introduces the work of the hubs within LSE Consulting, namely the Education, Youth and Civic Engagement Hub (EYCE) and the Trade Policy Hub (TPH). Each hub will present its areas of activity and strategic focus, supported by illustrative examples of previous projects and collaborations. The session will also provide an overview of the typical challenges and needs identified by their clients, offering insights into the kinds of consultancy opportunities that may arise.

Understanding the Commercial Potential of your Research

This workshop will help academics identify the potential for commercialising their research or research-based expertise and the different routes available to realise that, from academic consulting through to licensing, spinouts and wider innovation activity. Through a practical example and a matrix of exercises aimed at defining the profiles of academics and their research, this workshop will enable participants to identify their strengths and the potential opportunities that their research offers for commercialisation and innovation.

Venture Funding 101 for Non-specialists

How do startups get funding? How much funding do they need? What are the benefits and trade-offs of each type of funding? An accessible introduction to types of funding available in the UK and worldwide for different ventures, including grants, equity, competitions, and seed funds.

Intellectual Property Essentials for Social Scientists

This session responds to new UKRI requirement that funded researchers understand how to identify, manage and protect the knowledge assets their research generates. It will introduce you to the key principles of Intellectual Property management, focusing on the types of IP that social science researchers most commonly encounter (not just patents!), how ownership works in funded and collaborative research and where you can get support to understand, manage and protect your IP. We'll locate all of this in the context of UK Intellectual Property law and the LSE's own IP Policy.

We'll talk you through:

- what IP is (and isn't)
- how IP ownership works for LSE staff and researchers
- how to identify and manage your own IP day-to-day
- how, when, why and whether you should take steps to protect your IP
- legal and contractual elements of IP, including in the context of funding agreement clauses, collaboration and consultancy agreements, and confidentiality
- IP in the context of publication and open access, including how IP protection sits alongside UKRI's open research expectations.

Research Insights to Real-world Impacts: taking research to market

This joint LSE Generate x I&I session is for staff and students interested in using research insights to solve problems beyond academia. We'll explore routes from research to impact, focusing on how commercial markets can be used to deliver impacts at scale. We'll look at the unique challenges and advantages of SHAPE-led commercialisation, dive into examples of research-based products, services and companies, and get hands-on matching research strengths to viable paths to market. Whether you're a researcher exploring your options or a student curious about entrepreneurship, you'll leave with a clearer sense of how to turn insight into impact.

Coaching & Mentoring

Supports others through sharing experiences and knowledge for their benefit. Uses coaching techniques to support others to develop specific skills or reach goals.

Coaching for Impact

Coaching for Impact is a facilitated group session that combines professional coaching with research impact expertise. The session provides a structured space to reflect on your impact goals, explore opportunities and challenges, and develop meaningful pathways to impact. Through guided discussion and powerful questioning, participants will gain insights from both their own experiences and those of their peers, helping them build confidence, clarify priorities and take purposeful action towards achieving change beyond academia.

This can be delivered on a Departmental, Centre or Unit of Assessment level – please reach out to Jess Day (j.day5@lse.ac.uk) to discuss what might work best for you and your colleagues.

Networking

Proactively builds and sustains networks to support professional and career development, fosters inclusive research communities and mutually beneficial connections.

Why Partnerships Matter: Collaborating Beyond Academia

This session will explore the ingredients needed for developing strong partnerships between academic and non-academic organisations, and the benefits for both. It will provide the opportunity to share experiences and some practical takeaways with support from the Partnership Development Managers as to how to take a strategic approach to developing existing and new relationships, and how these can benefit your research and impact.

Building International Research Collaborations: Funding, Partnerships, and Practice

This session is for academic, research and policy staff interested in international research collaboration and the funding schemes that support it. It will explore why collaboration matters, the benefits it can bring to your research and funding success, and when to start engaging potential partners.

We will provide an overview of key international collaborative funding schemes and upcoming opportunities including how these schemes work, the types of collaborative approaches they support, and what funders expect from international partnerships.

The session will also address practical considerations such as due diligence, compliance, and risk management when working with overseas partners, as well as approaches to capacity building and developing equitable, sustainable collaborations.

The event will conclude with a panel discussion in which researchers share their experiences of building international partnerships into grants and fellowships, discussing what worked, the challenges they faced, and what collaboration has meant for their research and career development.

Bespoke Training

Developing Bespoke Training

R&I can help build custom training for your Department, Institute, Centre, or Unit. Our Delivery Partners are skilled in training and development and can advise on the best sessions to meet your learning outcomes including workshops, seminars, panels and learning materials (virtually and in-person). For support with bespoke training please contact N.Van-Der-Elst@lse.ac.uk in the first instance.

External Providers

Our team has enjoyed working with and receiving training from the following external providers. We are happy to introduce colleagues to these trainers and associations

- ARMA – UK's professional association for research managers and administrators
- PRISM network
- Missenden Centre

Thank you for reading.

We look forward to seeing you at a RISe session.

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