

Engagement and Impact

Topics: Ambitions and vision, Possibility of growth - new vs current areas, Partnerships and collaborations, Patents, Consultancy.

In your discussion, you should keep in mind Strategy2031 objectives (i.e. innovation, global engagement, partnerships, sustainability) and REF2028 (i.e. ambition to raise our standing, coherent narrative of impact areas etc.)

Questions for table discussion

- 1. One of the outcomes of the Half-Away Impact Day in 2022 was the need to have a dedicated impact strategy. Considering potential *impact pillars* close to our research activities (*healthcare*, *development of devices*, *sustainable technologies*, *renewable energy*, *digital*, *public engagement*) are you engaged/will you engage with any of them? If not, why?
- 2. What are the main obstacles that you encounter / have you encountered when trying to engage in impact related activities? *Please give examples of barriers for a specific activity you are involved in, or what have prevented you so far to engage.*
- 3. Recent calls for support of impact activities (e.g. IAA) had little or no response. Is that not the right level of support needed? What do you suggest we, as a department, do differently to enable and support researchers to achieve and improve impact?
- 4. Do you think that impact activities are sufficiently recognised, and if not, what would you propose to ensure this is done at the appropriate level?
- 5. Have you been provided with adequate information and ideas to engage in this discussion and in impact activities in general? If not, is there anything else you would like to know?



