

Planning for Research Impact

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and Professor **Peter Gray**

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Target: Faculty members, early career researchers and PhD students

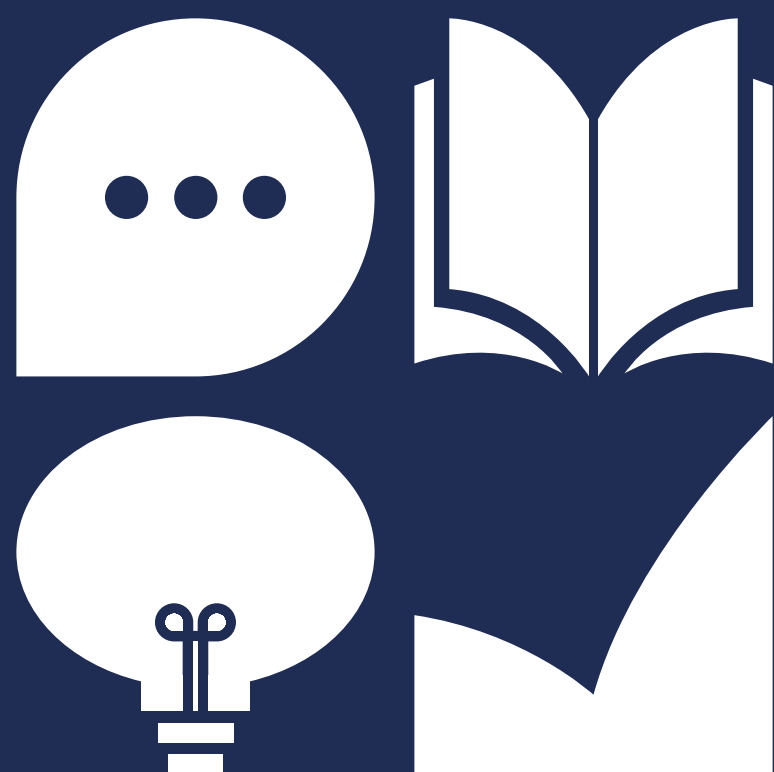
In this presentation Visiting Professor Osborne will discuss the concept of research impact drawing on examples from the UK and its Research Excellence Framework. By impact he will refer not to traditional measures, notably citation indices, but rather an effect on, change or benefit to the economy, society, culture, public policy or services, health, the environment or quality of life, beyond academia.

Such impacts may be instrumental, conceptual or be concerned with capacity building. Instrumental effects are things that influence the mechanisms by which change can be delivered (e.g. policies or legislation, products or technologies). Conceptual impacts refer to ideas that change our understanding of and behaviours around certain issues (e.g. by reframing debates). Capacity building refers to people through changing individual and collective capacity and thereby generating the skills and services needed to deliver wider benefit (e.g. through practitioner training).

He will draw upon examples that include his and his colleagues work over two decades in the field of universities and their regional engagement role. He will then discuss how participants might develop an impact plan for their own research.

This will be followed by an input by Professor Gray concerning the increasing importance of societal impact within the European arena within the Horizon Europe programme.

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