

Science and Enterprise Group (SEG)

Annual General Meeting

7th December 2020

Chair's Report

Overview

Our core driver is to provide a platform where science meets business and to nurture innovation in a multidisciplinary environment and during 2020 the SEG has been going through a period of renewal, restructuring its aims and vision and recruiting new committee members. It has now recruited a 20 strong core committee representing its key stakeholders.

Our mission is to support accelerating innovation out of the lab and into an enterprise – from University or start-up through to SME and on to scale-up. This year we have developed a committee that reflects our mission and includes entrepreneurial representatives from Universities engaging in technology spin-out activity and business development; senior representatives from SMEs and microbusinesses; experienced innovators with a background in scale-up enterprises and established businesses that are active in open innovation, licensing-in and the acquisition of technologies.

The committee is now actively engaged with the SCI on a number of activities, outlined below, and is moving forward with plans for a formal launch event as well as an additional virtual and in person conference in the coming year. I think that it is important to note the impact that COVID-19 has had on the group's ability to fully implement our activity planning. I want to personally thank the members of the committee for their hard work over the past year and I look forward to continuing to work with all of you in 2021 to further support accelerating innovation out of the lab and into an enterprise.

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Current Officers

Chair	Craig Duckham
Hon. Secretary	Jason Camp
Hon. Treasurer	Tiffany Wood

Current Committee Members

Alan Steven - Senior Principal Scientist at CatSci Ltd
Alex Hewitt - CEO Anaphite
Andreas Schätzlein - CEO Nanometrics / UCL
Charlotte Crowhurst - Partner, Potter-Clarkson
Clive Thompson - Principal Scientist, ALS
Jan Ramakers - Independent consultant
Jonathan Moseley - Associate at Scientific Update Ltd
Kirk Malone - Director of Commercialisation, Manchester Institute of Biotechnology
Lissa Herron - Enterprise Outreach Manager at Converge
Marijana Dragosavac - CSO Micropore Technologies and Loughborough University
Martin Elliot - CCO Centillion Technology
Neil Crabb - CEO Frontier IP Group
Nick Bennett - Senior Project Manager, Business Partnership Unit, University of Nottingham
Rebecca Wood - Open Innovation Coordinator, Croda
Sheena Hindocha - Knowledge Transfer Manager (Materials Chemistry) KTN
Tatiana Schofield - Head of Knowledge Exchange at Royal College of Art
Thomas Farmer – Leader of the Clean Synthesis Technology Platform (CSTP), University of York

Committee Meetings

January 20th 2020 – held at SCI Headquarters
May 26th 2020 – virtual meeting
September 14th 2020 – virtual meeting

Summary of Activity

- Working with the SCI Membership Sub-Committee
- E-learning and training
- Covid-19 Hub
- Social Media and promotional activity
- Planning of conferences and events (including SME Showcase, SCITalks and SEG launch events)
- Bright SCIda challenge
- SME Showcase
- SCI SME focused newsletter / Articles and blogs

Craig Duckham, Chair