



Symposium on Public Engagement with Science

Venue: School of Chemistry, Joseph Black Building, King's Buildings, The University of Edinburgh, Scotland, UK.

Date: Wednesday 9th May 2007

Programme

- 09.30-10.00 *Registration and coffee*
- 10.00-10.05 *Welcome and Opening Remarks*
Dr Colin Pulham (School of Chemistry, University of Edinburgh)
- 10.05-11.00 *Why Public Engagement?*
Mr. Colin Johnson, OBE. (Vice-President, British Association for the Advancement of Science)
- 11.00-11.30 *Public Engagement - Opportunities with the Research Councils*
Dr Joanna Coleman (Acting Head of Public Engagement, Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council)
- 11.30-11.50 *Coffee*
- 11.50-12.20 *Public Engagement: A Strategic Goal for Universities?*
Dr Patricia Erskine (Public Engagement with Science Development Officer at the University of Edinburgh)
- 12.20-12.50 *Career development for graduate students through Public Engagement with Science*
Dr Jan Barfoot (Project Manager for the UK-wide Researchers in Residence Programme, University of Edinburgh)
- 12.50-14.00 *Lunch in the School of Chemistry*

Afternoon session introduced and chaired by Dr Elizabeth Stevenson (School of Chemistry, University of Edinburgh)

- 14.00-14.25 *Impact on teaching and research*
Dr Graeme Jones (School of Chemistry and Physics, University of Keele)
- 14.25-14.50 *Making the Chemical Connection - taking science to "remote" communities*
Mr Robin Andrews (School of Chemistry, University of Edinburgh)
- 14.50-15.15 *The paradox of public understanding and personal progress*
Dr Bruce Davies (Dept. of Mechanical Engineering, Heriot-Watt University)
- 15.15-15.40 *Using on-line frameworks for public engagement*
Mr Philip Loomis (Institute for the Advancement of Human Knowledge, Cambridge, USA)
- 15.40-16.00 *Tea and coffee*
- 16.00 - 17.00 *Better looking, better loving, better living - how chemistry can achieve life's goals*
Dr John Emsley (author and former Writer in Residence at the University of Cambridge)
- 17.00-18.00 *Wine reception in the School of Chemistry*

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