News from Head of School

EPSRC Future of ICT Report

The report of the ICT Research – The Next Decade workshop is now available to view on our website on the ICT reports page (http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/pubs/reports/Pages/ict.aspx). A video that was made to accompany the report is also available to view (http://www.epsrc.ac.uk/newsevents/videoaudio/events/Pages/ict.aspx).

Events

OneVRE Launch Event 12 Apr 11

JISC OneVRE Project: Creating a Secure Distribution Cross-Portlet system for Sharing Electronic Documents, Tobias Schiebeck, Meik Poschen and Martin Turner, University of Manchester.
14:00-15:00, 1.10 Kilburn Building.
If you would like to join virtually, please contact Martin Turner.
More information

A conversation with George Auckland: a joint CAL/BBC Learning event at MMU 12 Apr 11

19:00, Geoffrey Manton Building, Oxford Road, Manchester Metropolitan University.
BBC Learning, BBC R&D and Professor Keri Facer on behalf of CAL 2011 would like to invite you to an "Evening with George Auckland" to celebrate his groundbreaking career in the field of learning, media and technological innovation.

In a BBC career spanning over 40 years, George Auckland has made an outstanding contribution to the lifelong learning agenda in the UK both in TV and Online. For this event, he will be in conversation with Bill Thompson, the well-known technology critic and commentator on digital culture.

The evening starts at 7.00 pm on Tuesday 12 April 2011 at the Geoffrey Manton Building, Oxford Road, Manchester and is in association with the Computer Aided Learning (CAL) Conference on Learning Futures: Education, Technology and Sustainability.

The event will run from 7:00 pm till 8:15pm with a drinks reception afterwards. We hope some of you will be able to join us for this unique & enjoyable event in April.

If you can attend this event please register for a free ticket.

Symposium on the benefits of eLearning technologies in Engineering, Physical Sciences and Mathematics 13 April 11

On Wednesday 13th April 2011, The University of Manchester is holding a symposium that focuses on the benefits of eLearning technologies in teaching and learning, in conjunction with the Higher Education Academy Subject Centres in Engineering, Physical Sciences and Mathematics disciplines.
Lecturers and Learning Technologists from the North of England and Scotland will come together to share their knowledge on how we are using online technologies in the field of teaching and learning. Several of our own colleagues at the University of Manchester will be showcasing best practices in e-Technologies.

The symposium will consist of an opening plenary, 4 parallel workshop sessions with a variety of topics and presenters, and a closing plenary. The symposium will be an excellent opportunity to connect with peers from other Higher Education Institutions, and to learn how they are using eLearning to benefit student learning or improve teaching efficiency.

This event is offered without charge however it is necessary to book your place.

**Book/further info**

**APT Seminar - Dr. Timothy Jones (Cambridge University) 18 Apr 11**

Link-Time Optimization for Instruction Cache Power Efficiency
11:00, 2.15 Kilburn building.
Timothy Jones, Cambridge University.

**Computing for the Future of the Planet – IET seminar 28 Apr 11**

Professor Andy Hopper CBE FRS FREng BSc PhD
18:00 - Light refreshments
18:30 - Start
Manchester Conference Centre, Sackville Street, Manchester M1 3BB.
Event is free but please register online [here](#).

**Directions**

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**Funding Opportunities**

**Royal Society International Exchanges Scheme 30 Jun 11**

This scheme is for scientists in the UK who want to undertake a collaboration with scientists overseas through either a one off visit or a bilateral travel. This scheme is currently open to applications. There will be additional funding rounds later in the year. Details will be announced when they are available.

The scheme covers all areas of the life and physical sciences, including engineering, but excluding clinical medicine.

Both the UK applicant and overseas applicant must:

- have a PhD, or be likely to have a PhD by the time the funding starts
- hold a fixed or permanent contract at an eligible organisation for the duration of the project (ineligible organisations include industrial, private and commercial organisations, university spin-out companies, government bodies and research institutes and research councils)
- be based in the respective countries at the time of the application

Collaborations should be based on a single project and travel can only take place between the UK and a country where the overseas collaborator is based. In the case of cost share applications (see below), a relationship between both parties should already be established prior to making an application.

The International Exchanges Scheme is available for travel to all countries outside of the UK. Applicants should ensure that they meet all the eligibility requirements

**Further information**