

UK Acoustics Network Newsletter – April 2018

Dear Members,

We are pleased to inform you that the UK Acoustics Network continues to grow. According to <https://acoustics.ac.uk/database> we have 282 members formally signed in.

A majority of the Special Interest Groups (SIGs) have already met or are about to meet. The Vibro-acoustics SIG is meeting in the University of Liverpool on the 26th of April (see <https://acoustics.ac.uk/?event=meeting-of-the-vibro-acoustics-special-interest-group>). In May there will be a joint meeting of the Sensors and NDE SIGs in Birmingham. Those of you who are interested in attending this meeting should go to the Doodle Pool <https://doodle.com/poll/qfaii8wc7ypdx9yi> and to fill it in by 23rd April 2018 so that the most convenient date for the meeting can be identified.

The registration is now open for early career researchers to attend the UK Acoustics Network Summer School in August 2018 in Wales. The places are limited and we encourage early career researchers to apply to attend this workshop by going to <https://acoustics.ac.uk/?event=acoustics-network-summer-school>.

We would like to remind you that the UK Research and Innovation is inviting expressions of interest by the 18th of April 2018 to identify the next wave of challenges to be supported under the Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF). ISCF funding comes from UK Research and Innovation, business and the public sector working in partnership. We encourage non-academic members of the UKAN to identify and report challenges related to acoustics that are faced by the industry and society. Please do this by completing the expression of interest form available on [www.apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/126/overview](http://www.apply-for-innovation-funding.service.gov.uk/competition/126/overview). This is very important to make sure that acoustics is properly represented and funded appropriately to be able to meet future challenges.

The next meeting of the UK Acoustics Network Steering Committee will be held in Cardiff on the 24th of April 2018. The agenda is on <https://acoustics.ac.uk/events>. Do let us know of any matters you wish the Steering Committee to be aware of. We will be happy to bring them to our discussion.

We would like to ask for volunteers to develop outreach activities and help the UK Acoustics Network to run them to promote acoustics among the general public. If you are willing to help, please do not hesitate to write to Kirill Horoshenkov at [k.horoshenkov@acoustics.ac.uk](mailto:k.horoshenkov@acoustics.ac.uk).

Finally, we would like to ask you to provide positive testimonials about acoustics careers, R&D activities, specific events or case studies/examples of other activities that have come about as a direct result of the UK Acoustics Network. We would like to publish these testimonials on our website to promote acoustics as a STEM discipline in general and UK Acoustics Network activities in particular. We would also like to publish information about new R&D acoustics related projects. Therefore, we encourage you to send to us details of any relevant projects which you wish us to share with the UK Acoustics Network members through our website.

Yours sincerely,

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