# Imperial College London

# **Engagement Day 2023**

Engaging with diverse young people 29 November | #EngagementDay2023

Welcome to Engagement Day, bringing together staff from across the College and our partners to share knowledge and experiences related to societal engagement.

Today we will hear from inspiring speakers, take part in insightful sessions and have a chance to meet new colleagues. Together we will explore opportunities, challenges and ideas for meaningful and equitable engagement with young people.



# Morning

10:00 - 10:30

**Registration and refreshments** 

10:30 - 10:40

#### Welcome

Professor Maggie Dallman, Vice President (International); Associate Provost (Academic Partnerships) and Professor of Immunology at Imperial College London.

10:40 - 11:30

#### In conversation with our youth partners

Engagement Day will open with some of the amazing young people taking part in our engagement programmes at Imperial and beyond. They will share their experiences, passions, motivations and barriers, for us to take forward in our conversations throughout the day and into our work.

11:30 - 11:45

**Break** 

11:45 - 12:45

#### **Keynote and Q&A**

Professor Louise Archer, Karl Mannheim Chair of Sociology of Education, Institute of Education, University College London: **Understanding and supporting more equitable and inclusive STEM engagement.** 

Louise will share insights from the 14-year ASPIRES longitudinal study of young people's STEM trajectories, focusing on the reasons behind unequal patterns of STEM participation in ages 10 to 22, and identifying factors that can foster more inclusive engagement.

Drawing on multi-award-winning research and development work carried out with teachers and informal sector practitioners, Louise will highlight practical tools and strategies that can support more inclusive policies and practices, and help diversify participation in STEM.

12:45 - 13:00

Opportunities for engaging with young people at Imperial Lara Mistry (Public Engagement) and Dr Mel Bottrill (Outreach)



# Afternoon

#### 13:00 - 14:00

#### Lunch and networking

Societal Engagement Stands - meet the teams (Outreach, Public and Community Engagement Programmes, Capacity Building and Training).

#### 14:00 - 15:00

#### **Deep dive discussions**

Join one of our sessions in smaller groups. Hear from others with expertise and immerse yourself in your chosen topic. Share ideas and questions, enjoying the chance to pause and think.

- Safeguarding, ethics and engaging responsibly with young people. Led by Dr Mel Bottrill, Dr Jenny Cooke and Kate Mulcahy (Outreach, Imperial). Sunley Room.
- Art, activism and championing the voices of young people.
  Led by Linsey Wynton, Mahamood Mubarack and Karla
  Rosales García (part of the Grantham Art Prize team,
  Imperial). Education Centre.
- Social media, youth settings and how to reach young people. Led by Philippa Skett (Central Communications, Imperial) and Justin Baptiste (Fit for Life Youth).
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15:00 - 15:20

## Break

#### 15:20 - 16:15

# Lightning talks

Four fast-paced presentations will give an energetic insight into a range of inspiring youth-centred engagement projects from across Imperial. Speakers have 20 slides, each appearing for 20 seconds before moving on automatically.

#### Hear about:

- Nexus, a co-created film about the impacts of COVID-19 on young people's mental health
- Young Producers at the Great Exhibition Road Festival
- LEGO and design engineering summer school activities
- Young people as co-researchers in the SCAMP study.

#### 16:15 - 16:30

#### **Closing remarks**

Including Dan Simpson, Spoken Word Poet

The Societal Engagement team would like to thank everyone that has contributed to Engagement Day - without their valuable feedback, time, experience and guidance, today's programme would not have been possible.

Please continue to work with us – we offer advice, training and funding and run events such as the Great Exhibition Road Festival.

# **Photography**

We plan to document the event for those not able to attend - please speak to a member of staff at the registration desk if you would prefer not to be photographed.

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