Why Evaluate: a widening participation symposium

Agenda: This agenda is subject to change.

0900 Registration, hot drinks and snacks

Throughout the day there will be opportunities for all participants to take part in reflective activities to contribute to the learning and evaluation of the day.

Plenary Session

0930 Welcome and Introduction
Professor Wyn Morgan (Vice President for Education, University of Sheffield)

0935 Housekeeping
Richard Shiner (Head of Evidence and Effective Practice, Office for Fair Access)

0940 Provocations 1: Why Evaluate: motivation and methods
Chair: TBC
Panellists: Professor Liz Thomas, Dr Joana Zozimo (Lancaster University); Dr Colin McCaig (Sheffield Hallam University); Kirsty Younger (Durham University)

1000 Moderated debate between panellists and audience

1030 Break

1050 Keynote address
Professor Christina Hughes (Pro Vice Chancellor for Student Experience, Sheffield Hallam University)

1110 Provocations 2: Why Evaluate: challenges and opportunities
Chair: Stephanie Lee (University of Manchester)
Panellists: Anne-Marie Canning (King’s College, London), Dr Neil Harrison (UWE),; Dr Stephanie Mckendry (Scottish Government), Laura Gray (Brightside Trust)

1130 Moderated debate between panellists and audience

12:00 Keynote address
Professor Les Ebdon (Director of Fair Access, Office for Fair Access)
Workshops

1225 Session 1:

1 Informing, Improving and Evaluating National Policy
Jenny Allen (HEFCE), Kirsty Johnson (HEFCE), Lindsey Bowes (CFE Research)

2 Methods, Methodologies and Approaches
Dr Siobhan Dytham (University of Warwick), Dr Debbie Stanistreet (University of Liverpool)

3 Why Track Impact
Anna Anthony (HEAT), Andrew Avery (University of Cambridge), Emma Church (EMWPREP)

4 Evaluating the impact of Outreach
Dr Pallavi Banerjee (University of Exeter), Joanne Moore (University of Exeter)

5 Evaluating with Students
Caroline Heaton (Sheffield Hallam University), Jane de Vekey (SUBU, Bournemouth)

1315 Lunch

Workshops

1410 Session 2:

1 Informing, Improving and Evaluating National Policy
Jenny Allen (HEFCE), Kirsty Johnson (HEFCE), Lindsey Bowes (CFE Research)

2 Frameworks and Networks
Michael England (HEAN), Annette Hayton (University of Bath), Dave Sandford (HEAN)

3 Theories of Change
Dr Julian Crockford (University of Sheffield), Beth Isaac (OFFA)

4 Evaluating with adults and in specialist contexts
John Butcher (Open University), Kate Wicklow (GuildHE)

5 Developing an evaluation project
Dr Sonia Ilie (University of Cambridge), Richard Shiner (OFFA)

1500 Break, with refreshment and snacks

Closing Plenary

1520 What’s next? Discussion with panellists and audience
Chair: Graeme Atherton (NEON)
Panellists: Including Femi Bola (UEL); John Butcher (Open University); Rich Shiner (OFFA); Speakers from the throughout the day
1600 Closing Remarks
    Chris Millward (HEFCE)

1620 Symposium Reception

1730 END

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