UK Council for
Graduate Education

DOCTORAL DEANS AND DIRECTORS NETWORK:
ANNUAL RESIDENTIAL WORKSHOP 2025

Milner Hotel, York | 27th & 28th February 2025

Thursday 27th February

TIME	SESSION
14:00	**Introductory Session** For those new to the role of Dean or Director, or those new to the DDD Network (90minutes)
15:00	Hotel Check-in Available
15:30	Workshop Registration with refreshments
16:00	**Welcome, Introduction & Ice Breaker Discussions** Dr. Nigel Eady | Director of Research Talent | King's College London and co-Chair of the UKCGE Doctoral Deans & Directors Network Associate Prof. Jane Wellens | Head of the Graduate School and Associate Professor of Graduate and co-Chair of the UKCGE Doctoral Deans & Directors Network
16:30	**Current challenges facing Doctoral Deans and Directors** Group discussions and Sharing experiences
17:30	**Researcher Development** Rachel Persad | Head of Research Policy, Guild HE
18:30	Evening Session Close

Workshop Dinner

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19:15	Pre-dinner Drinks
19:45	Workshop Dinner

Friday 28th February

TIME	SESSION
09:15	**Still students after all these years: using the Quality Code to support our postgraduate researchers** Nick Watmough | Quality Enhancement & Standards Specialist, The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education
10:30	Refreshment break
10:50	**Implementing the OfS sexual harassment and sexual misconduct guidance in relation to PGRs** Dr Anna Bull | 1752 Group and Senior Lecturer in Education and Social Justice, University of York
12:30	Lunch
13:30	**REF and People, Culture, and Environment** Experiences from Pilot institutions on their experiences to date.
14:30	Refreshment break
14:40	**RSVP and People, Culture, and Environment** Dr Karen Clegg | Co-Director of the Next Generation Research SuperVision Project, University of York
15:30	**What Comes Next…** Future Issues for Doctoral Deans and Directors
16:00	Close & Departure