

Summary of the University Committee for Research and Innovation meeting (UCRI) held on 20 September 2022

Please see below a brief summary of the main topics of discussion at the recent meeting of UCRI: **Main topics of interest:**

At this meeting we:

- Discussed and approved a proposed approach to the REF Reflection Exercise for Impact for a division-led review of panel reports, impact sections of environment statements and case studies from other institutions.
- Considered a paper outlining the next stages of the UoR-ECMWF programme design and planning. During discussion we gave advice on the science plan, initial implementation steps, governance plan and the development of appropriate mechanisms and measures of success. We agreed the proposed investment in the Programme Co-ordinator.

In other news we:

- Heard about and discussed the plans for the future direction of travel for the Graduate School which will focus on catering to the diverse needs of our PGRS and Research Staff.
- Received a progress update on the Research Culture project which aims to understand, using an inclusive bottom-up approach, what research culture means within the context of working at the University of Reading. Following discussion we agreed that it will be important to focus down on the broader implications of the findings. We will continue our conversation next week at the UCRI Away Day and will consider how Research Culture funding can be used to support the findings.