

Innovate UK ICURe Roadshow – [IEEC 2024](#)

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Date: Thursday 5th September 2024

Time: 12:00-13:30

Location: Queens University Belfast, Business School. Riddel Hall, 185 Stranmillis Road, Belfast BT9 5EE. <https://www.qub.ac.uk/schools/queens-business-school/>

Chairman: Tony Walker, Head of Hubs – ICURe Lead

Agenda:

12:00 pm – 12:10 pm

Introduction and Opening Remarks

Geeta Nathan, Deputy Director of Innovation Ecosystem Strategy, Innovate UK

12:10 pm – 12:20 pm

Overview of the ICURe programme

Learn how ICURe uplifts entrepreneurial skills and capabilities and how to get involved
Tony Walker, Head of Hubs – ICURe Lead

12:20 pm – 12:40 pm

Entrepreneurial Mindsets

Academic entrepreneurs from Northern Ireland share their journeys

Panel Chair: Dr Cecilia Hegarty, Innovation Programmes Manager, QUB

- Dr Poulette Oduor, CEO at Klastx (UU Spinout)
- Dr Ryan Lafferty, CEO at Dia Beta Labs (UU Spinout)
- Dr Kevin Morgan, Lecturer (Education), School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering (QUB Licensing)
- Khaula Bhutta, Law Graduate (Graduate StartUp QUB)

12:50 pm – 1:10 pm

Creating a Vibrant Innovation Environment

Universities share how their entrepreneurial programmes are helping drive innovation in Northern Ireland

Panel Chair: Dr Paul Donachy, ICURe Director QUB

- Dr Eimear Barrett, Commercial Development Manager, Medicine, Health & Life Sciences, QUB
- Fergus Begley, Start Up Manager, UU
- Ian Browne, Founder of My Surgery, Director of Community and Ecosystem at Dogpatch Labs
- Janet Toal, Manager of Innovation & Entrepreneurship programmes at InterTradeIreland

1:10 pm – 1:20 pm

Closing remarks

Geeta Nathan, Deputy Director of Innovation Ecosystem Strategy, Innovate UK

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