

UK INNOVATION DISTRICTS SUMMIT 2026 AGENDA

Friday 5 June, 2026

Everyman Theatre, 5-11 Hope Street, Liverpool, L1 9BH

9.00-9.30

Registration | Networking | Breakfast Refreshments

9.30 – 10.15

Warm Welcome

Emma Frost, Chair, UK Innovation Districts Group

Keynote Address ‘What we’ve learnt 10 years in’

Colin Sinclair, CEO, Knowledge Quarter Liverpool

A film by The Campaign for Science and Engineering (CaSE) ‘Public opinion on R&D and Innovation’

Live Podcast ‘Public opinion on R&D and innovation: why it matters and what next’

In conversation with David Marlow, Chief Executive, Third Life Economics and Jane Robinson, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Business, Partnerships and Place, Newcastle University

10.20 - 11.10

Workshop Sessions: Join workshop one, two or three

11.15 - 11.40 REFRESHMENTS BREAK

11.40 - 12.30

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12.30 - 13.30 GROUP PHOTO AND LUNCH

13.30 - 14.20

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14.30 - 3PM

Closing Remarks: Emma Frost, Chair, UK Innovation Districts Group

WORKSHOP ONE

Mapping Entrepreneurial Skills: lessons from Liverpool, Newcastle and Belfast

Facilitator:

Jack Baker - Senior Urban Designer & Architect Arup

WORKSHOP TWO

From data to decisions: how good data drives good outcomes

Facilitators:

*Fiona Tuck - Director
Gillian O'Connell - Principal Consultant
Mary Dolphin - Consultant
(all) Metro Dynamics*

WORKSHOP THREE

Crowding Investment: developing prototypes

Facilitator:

Charlotte Cutter - Consultant, Arup

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