



Member Networks Annual Report Form

Reporting events held in 2018 and those planned for 2019

In line with the rules for member networks and to enable us to better support our networks and their activities all member networks (Local Sections, Interest Groups and Analytical Division Regions) are asked to complete this form and return it to networks@rsc.org or by post to: Networks Team, Royal Society of Chemistry, Thomas Graham House, Science Park, Milton Road, Cambridge, CB4 0WF.

Deadlines

Deadline for receipt of Financial Accounts by RSC Finance Team: **8th February 2019**
 Deadline for receipt of Annual Report by Networks Team: **25th February 2019**

If there is any reason that your committee will **not** be able to meet either or both of these deadlines please inform networks@rsc.org as soon as possible.

This report will be uploaded to your web page to share with the members of your network. Staff will also share a digest of all member networks activities taken solely from these annual reports with appropriate staff and governance boards and committees including Division Councils with similar interests.

Committee	Agriculture Sector
Completed by	Giovambattista Depietra
Date	Thursday, 31 January 2019

Please list below the dates of all of your planned committee meetings and, if held, AGM.

Annual General Meeting (if being held)

Date	Click or tap to enter a date.
Venue	Click or tap here to enter text.

Proposed Committee Meetings Dates

Date	Venue	
18/01/2019	Burlington House	F2F Meeting
March 2019	Teleconference	Date TBC
June 2019	Teleconference	Date TBC
25/09/2019	Burlington House	Possible AGM



2018 Events

Please report below on activities undertaken in the past year. Please select the type of event and target audience from the drop-down menus. For example, a workshop for Early Career members can be categorised as “Training/ Workshop” for “Early Career Members”.

The categories are as follows:

Event Types:

- Award Lecture
- Education Event
- Networking Event
- Outreach Event
- Public Lecture
- Scientific Meeting (half-day, one-day or multi-day)
- Social Event
- Training/ Workshop
- Other

Audience:

- Academics
- Consultants
- Early Career
- Industrialists
- Members of the public
- Postgraduates & PhD students
- Retired members
- School students
- School teachers
- Technicians & Support staff
- Undergraduates

If you wish to include more detailed information about any particularly successful events or advice to share please do so in the provided space. Please append electronic copies of any meeting reports, newsletters or relevant materials to this report.

For additional events please copy and paste the table and continue as necessary.

Event Name	The agriculture water interface: Current topics
Event Type	Scientific Meeting - One-day
Audience	Industrialists
Start Date	01 November 2018
End Date	01 November 2018
No. Attendees	25-50
Comments	Joint event organised with the RSC Water Science Forum



Awards and Bursaries

Please list any awards or bursaries presented by your committee in the past 12 months and indicate any that will be open for nomination/application in the next calendar year.

Please also include information about the application/nomination and selection processes.

Please ensure that **all** members of your network are notified of any awards or bursaries for general application. These notifications can be sent via e-alert through networks@rsc.org.

Award	BMCS Symposium: Synthesis in the Agri-Sciences
Award Type	Poster Prize
Audience	Postgraduates & PhD students
Nomination/ application deadline	26th October 2018
Number of nominations/ applications	-
Award winner(s) and institution(s)	Louise Eagling and Alexander Body
Comments	The Agriculture Sector sponsored the poster prizes at this event organised by Agri-net

Event Name	TBD
Event Type (key)	NPK-themed prize
Comments	2019 is the international year of the periodic table (IYPT) and the committee discussed the possibility of offering an NPK-themed prize to a researcher working on sustainable agriculture; details TBD

Other information/comments:

General leveraging of relationships of the Committee outside the RSC, including: Campden BRI (meeting planned in 2019), SCI, BBSRC and NIBBs. We are also exploring the possibility of getting involved with the IFSTAL programme involving Oxford, Reading, Warwick, City Universities and others

Other forms of Recognition provided by your committee:



Future Activities

When planning any activities please remember to ensure that all events are logged on our events database and ensure that all contracts are sent to our Legal Team with enough time for amendments and, where necessary, approval by the Board.

Please outline any activities already in planning for the next calendar year. Please include the type of event and the target audience.

For additional events please copy and paste the table and continue as necessary.

Event Name	Joint meeting with Campden BRI
Event Type	Social Event
Audience	Members of the public
Proposed Date	25/09/2019
Comments	Details to be defined. Possible format would include Ag Sector committee mtg/AGM followed by an open session for all and networking. Ag Sector to offer speaker for the open/joint session with posters/promo.

Event Name	Joint event with the RSC Toxicology group
Event Type	Scientific Meeting - One-day
Audience	Industrialists
Proposed Date	TBC
Comments	Details TBC

Committee

This information will be used to update our membership database and your web page. Please ensure that any changes to the committee are sent to networks@rsc.org as soon as possible.

Position	Name	Dates on committee (20xx – 20xx)
Chair	Dr G Depietra MRSC	07/02/18 - Present
Secretary	Mr M Smedley MRSC	07/06/10 - Present
Treasurer	Dr G Milligan CChem MRSC	07/06/10 - Present
Ordinary Members	Mr R Maycock CChem MRSC Mr M Botting CSci CChem MRSC Dr J Chesworth FRSC	07/02/18- Present 23/06/10- Present 07/02/18- Present
Chemists' Community Fund Representative (if relevant)	n/a	
Co-opted member(s) and their affiliation(s)	n/a	

Diversity & Inclusion

Please ensure this section is completed

Our trustees are aiming to embed diversity and inclusion in all of our activities and networks. Section 8 of our [online network handbook](#) contains more information to support our networks in achieving this and our Diversity team have [online Guides for Networks](#) that include actions and considerations for committees, and guides for inclusive communications and running inclusive events.

Please comment on how your group is showing that it has embraced Diversity and Inclusion within its practices. If you have diversity data from your events or activities, please include this information above.

In the organisation of the scientific one-day meeting “The agriculture water interface: Current topics” the following have been considered:

Terminology

The agriculture water interface: Current topics



This one-day meeting has three distinct themes covering the Industry Perspective, Regulatory Issues and the Monitoring and Fate of Pollutants.

This event brings together leading academics, regulators and industry experts to discuss current issues on how water quality and quantity is impacted by agricultural activities.

The meeting will be of interest to those involved in the following sectors:

- Agriculture and land management
- Water industry personnel
- Manufacturers, suppliers and users of plant protection products
- Research organisations
- Academia and early career researchers
- Analytical equipment and service providers
- Water engineers and environmental consultants
- Regulators – EA, NRW, SEPA, NIEA, DWI
- Regulatory affairs and compliance
- Non-Governmental Organisations – Rivers and Wildlife Trusts

Venue

Burlington House was chosen considering its central location and its link to major stations by four separate underground lines. The rooms included Wi-Fi access and presentation facilities.

Catering

Dietary requirements for religious, ethical and medical reasons were considered.

Timing

Meeting scheduled from 9 am to 4 pm taking into consideration the time required to travel to and from the event.