Conference formats

The SRHE Annual Research Conference 2010 offers paper presentations and discussions in a number of formats; - plenary sessions; individual paper presentations; discussion workshops and symposia.
The following guidance on the plans for each of these different sessions will help both presenters and delegates to know what to expect from a session and to prepare and plan their conference accordingly.
On the SRHE conference website you will find all the relevant detail to help you plan your conference including all the abstracts and papers for each session.
http://www.srhe.ac.uk/conference2010

Plenary sessions

There are three keynote plenary sessions. Each is planned on the basis of offering scholarly input and the opportunity for discussion and debate.
Immediately after each keynote address the conference will divide into smaller discussion groups.
In this way we aim to facilitate more interactive debate amongst delegates and take more out of these keynote sessions than can be achieved in a short formal Q&A session. Discussion groups will take place in each of the 12 breakout rooms and delegates are asked to attend the session which corresponds with the first letter of their surname as shown on the timetable. This is how the groups have been designated in order to have a similar number in each group and a good mix of research backgrounds.
Day 1 Tuesday 14 December:
Dr Amanda Goodall “Why managers should not replace Socrates in the boardroom”
Professor Sir David Watson The future of Higher education research in the age of austerity
Day 2 Wednesday 15 December
Nicholas Maxwell “The urgent need for an Academic revolution: from Knowledge to wisdom”
Professor Etienne Wenger “Knowlegeability in landscapes of practice: from curriculum to identity”
Day 3 Thursday 16 December:
“Where IS the wisdom?” Shared perspectives.
Conference Rapporteur Professor Stephen Rowlands. Keynote speakers and conference delegates contribute with reflections and future plans.
SRHE Annual Conference 2010- “Where is the wisdom we have lost in knowledge? Exploring Meaning, Identity and Transformation in Higher Education”

**Individual paper presentations**

Individual papers will be presented in 30 minute sessions and presenters are asked to plan their contributions to allow good time for discussion and debate after their formal presentation. Presenters are also asked to plan their use of powerpoint slides sensibly given the time available and a guide of 5 slides is recommended, dependent of course on the nature of the research being presented. Each individual session will be chaired by an appointed individual whose role is to manage the use of time effectively and ensure that there is good time for discussion in which all participants at the session contribute. Abstracts for all presentations are included in the Conference programme and full papers for all presentations are on the conference website and available on a CD-Rom at the start of the conference.

**Discussion workshops**

The abstract review process identified papers which could be grouped together for discussion and thus allow space in the programme for a wide and varied range of research work to be presented. Workshops have been allocated in 30 minute (two papers) and 60 minute (3-4 papers) sessions. Presenters in these workshops have been asked to limit their presentations to an overview of their work (using probably no more than 2 powerpoints if desired) to allow good time for discussion. Delegates attending workshops are encouraged to review the abstracts and full papers in advance to get the best value form these discussions. Each discussion workshop will be chaired by an appointed individual whose role is to manage the use of time effectively between all the presenters and ensure that there is good time for discussion in which all participants at the session contribute.

**Symposia**

There are 13 symposia sessions. Each symposia has a rationale and a series of individual presentations and all have their own chair or convener in charge of the presentations and some also have a discussant to facilitate good debate after the presentations.

**Submission of Powerpoint presentations: Deadline 5 December 2010.**

In order to make it easier for presenters, conference staff and technicians and ensure a smooth conference, powerpoint presentations will be preloaded in the rooms where they are listed for presentation. All presenters are asked to bring a back up copy of presentation material on a memory stick. Please use the following format to name the file of your powerpoint presentation so that they can be easily located: SRHE. [paper number eg 0175],[surname of listed presenter] Please send your powerpoint presentations by the deadline to fsmit@srhe.ac.uk