



Cranfield University ECR Network Symposium

Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March 2026

Delegate Pack and Programme



ECR Symposium 2026

Programme Schedule



Welcome

It is with great pleasure that we welcome you to the 2026 Early Career Researcher Network Symposium. This programme is designed to build and strengthen the Early Career community across Themes and Schools.

Important Reminders

Getting Here

- **Visitors:** Please register first at the Main Reception before heading to the Vincent Building (Building 52a).
- **Parking:** Please refer to the downloadable [campus map](#) for visitor parking. The Vincent Building is located at grid reference D4.
- **Emergency Contact:** For urgent matters on the day, please contact the Symposium Organising Team at [Insert Email/Phone].

Presenters and Exhibitors

- **Poster Presenters:** Please visit the Registration Desk with your printed poster to find out your poster board number. Posters will be displayed in Lecture Room 1.
- **Symposium Exhibitors:** All exhibitors should visit the Registration Desk to sign in upon arrival.

Evening Logistics

- **Drinks Reception & Dinner:** Held in Mitchell Hall (Bleinham Room). Drinks reception at 17:30, followed by a three-course sit-down dinner at 19:00. Dress code is smart casual.
- **Accommodation:** For those with booked accommodation at Mitchell Hall:
 - **Check-in:** From 14:00 on Wednesday 18th March.
 - **Check-out:** By 10:00 on Thursday 19th March.
 - *Note: Luggage cannot be stored securely in the Vincent Building. Mitchell Hall has a storage room.*

Wednesday 18th March 2026

Time	Location	Session
09:00 – 10:00	Vincent Building	Registration Please visit the Registration Desk to sign in.
10:00 – 10:15	Auditorium	Welcome Speech [Professor Helen Atkinson (Chancellor/Vice-chancellor)], [Job Title/Affiliation] Introduced by the ECR Network Committee
10:15 – 11:00	Auditorium	Keynote Speech 1 [Speaker Name], [Job Title/Affiliation] <i>"Title of the Keynote Address goes here"</i> Chaired by: [Chair Name]
11:00 – 11:30	Networking Area	Coffee Break
11:30 – 13:00	Auditorium	Career Development Talks 11:30: [Speaker 1 Name] - <i>[Aerospace & AI]</i> 12:15: [Speaker 2 Name] - <i>[Agriculture & Food]</i> Chaired by: [Chair Name]
13:00 – 14:00	Networking Area	Buffet Lunch
14:00 – 15:00	Auditorium & Lecture Room 1	Parallel Session 1 Track A: Main Presentations (Auditorium) 1. John Doe: <i>Neural Lyapunov Control for VTOLs</i> 2. [Speaker Name]: <i>Hybrid Safety-Stability Frameworks</i> Track B: Speedy Presentations for PhD students (Lecture Room 1) [Speaker A], [Speaker B], [Speaker C], [Speaker D], [Speaker E]
15:00 – 15:30	Networking Area	Coffee Break
15:30 – 16:30	Auditorium & Lecture Room 1	Parallel Session 2 Track A: Main Presentations (Auditorium) 1. [Speaker Name]: <i>[Research Title Here]</i> 2. [Speaker Name]: <i>[Research Title Here]</i> Track B: Speedy Presentations for PhD students (Lecture Room 1) [Speaker F], [Speaker G], [Speaker H], [Speaker I], [Speaker J]
18:30 – 19:00	Mitchell Hall	Symposium Drinks Reception
19:00 – 21:00	Mitchell Hall	Symposium Dinner

Thursday 19th March 2026

Time	Location	Session
09:00 – 09:25	Vincent Building	Registration
09:25 – 09:30	Auditorium	Welcome to Day 2
09:30 – 10:15	Auditorium	Keynote Speech 2 [Speaker Name], [Job Title/Affiliation] "Title of the Keynote Address goes here" Chaired by: [Chair Name]
10:15 – 10:30	Networking Area	Coffee Break
10:30 – 12:00	Auditorium	Career Development Talks 10:30: [Speaker 3 Name] - [Topic/Title] 11:15: [Speaker 4 Name] - [Topic/Title]
12:00 – 13:00	Networking Area	Buffet Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	Auditorium & Lecture Room 1	Parallel Session 3 Track A: Main Presentations (Auditorium) 1. [Speaker Name]: [Research Title Here] 2. [Speaker Name]: [Research Title Here] Track B: Speedy Presentations for PhD students (Lecture Room 1) [List of approx 5 names/topics...]
14:00 – 14:30	Networking Area	Coffee Break
14:30 – 15:30	Auditorium & Lecture Room 1	Parallel Session 4 Track A: Main Presentations (Auditorium) 1. [Speaker Name]: [Research Title Here] 2. [Speaker Name]: [Research Title Here] Track B: Speedy Presentations for PhD students (Lecture Room 1) [List of approx 5 names/topics...]
15:30 – 16:00	Auditorium	Prize Giving and Closing Remarks Presented by the Research and Innovation Office