

Programme Draft

08:30 Registration and Coffee in the Networking Area

09:30 Opening from the host Prof Vikas Shah - How can the North compete with London and the USA

10:00 Keynote Speaker - Tom Cheesewright - Futurist. What's next for the Northern Powerhouse?

10.30 Panel discussion & Questions - "How do we build successful research collaborations & working partnerships between academia, industry and public organisations?" Maria Stukoff, Ben Light, Robin Barger, Salford Uni partners

11.15 Digital Service Design in the Public Sector - a conversation with Vimla & Alison Mckenzie-Folan - Dep CEO Wigan Council

11.45 "Driving Digital Transformation - What works? What doesn't? What next?" Panel hosted by Ruth Harrison from Thoughtworks, Salford Uni, Salford Uni, Salford Uni Partners

12.15 "Building a culture that continues to disrupt" - Speakers TBC

12.40 "The digital skills gap" - Andy Lovatt from Digital Advantage

1:00 Lunch

1.45 "IOT - The Smart Cities Revolution" panel & questions - Future Everything, Salford Uni, Salford Uni

2.15 "A digital business roadmap for the professional services" - Guy Weaver

2.45 Digital Conversations

3.15 Finding Value in Big Data - What is Big Data? How can your business take full advantage of the data you have?

3.45 Hack results

4.15 - 4.45 Round up of the day by Prof Vikas Shah

4.45 - 6pm Drinks and networking