

Investor Insight – Opportunities from UK Research & Technology

Wednesday 29 November 2017

17:15 to 20:00 (Registration and tea/coffee from 16:45)

The Office Group, 8th Floor Gridiron Building, ONE PANCRAS SQUARE, LONDON, N1C 4AG

The Rainbow Seed Fund builds companies based upon the exceptional research in the UK's publicly-funded laboratories and campuses. Rainbow companies are tackling significant problems ranging from Alzheimer's to nuclear fusion and building upon a partnership with more than £500m of annual research spend around the UK.

The Catapult centres are a network of world-leading centres designed to transform the UK's capability for innovation in specific areas and help drive future economic growth.

Together we are delighted to invite you to an evening showcase to share insights into how we help generate impact from our world-class science base, followed by networking.

Speakers & Agenda

16:45 – Registration, tea and coffee

17:15 – Welcome from Ian Taylor, Chairman of the Rainbow Seed Fund advisory board.

17:20 – Catapult Network – highlights of how the Catapults are helping innovative products be adopted

- Marcus Harrison of the Medicines Discovery Catapult
- Paul Jordan of the Energy Systems Catapult
- Tom Lowndes of the Future Cities Catapult

17:35 – Rainbow Seed Fund – examples of innovative research from Rainbow's partner network of publicly-funded science institutes and campuses.

- Peter Orrell of the James Hutton Institute
- Professor Che Connon of the University of Newcastle
- [] of the National Physical Laboratory (*tbc*)



17:50 – Mission Oriented Innovation and Directed Growth

Mariana Mazzucato - Professor in the Economics of Innovation and Public Value and Director of the Institute for Innovation and Public Purpose at University College London (UCL). Mariana's work is focused on the economics of innovation, finance and economic growth, and the role of the State in modern capitalism.

18:25 - How Innovate UK's Investment Accelerator Pilot is working with Rainbow Seed Fund to accelerate innovation and build companies.

Nick Basset – Innovate UK

18:35 – Questions – Ian Taylor

18:45 – Drinks & canapés

20:00 - Close