

The Royal Society: the UK's national academy of sciences

Professor Richard Catlow FRS,
Foreign Secretary and Vice-President



Overview and Strategic Aims



Royal Society:

Founded in 1660, fundamental purpose is to recognise, promote, and support excellence in science and to encourage the development and use of science for the benefit of humanity.

Self-governing Fellowship of distinguished scientists from all areas of science, engineering, and medicine.

Committed to innovative scientific research wherever it is found, including application of science

Works with established international networks, across Europe, Commonwealth, G7 and G20

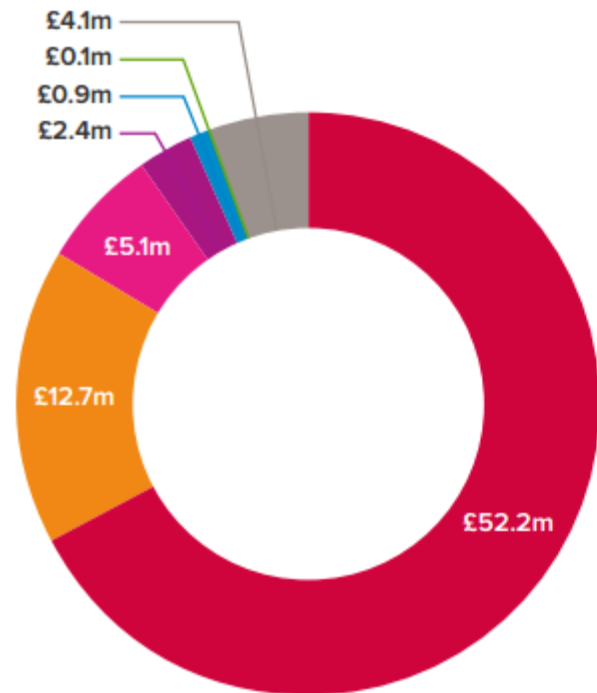
Strategic Aims:

1. Promoting science and its benefits
2. Recognising excellence in science
3. Supporting outstanding science
4. Providing scientific advice for policy
5. Fostering international and global cooperation
6. Education and public engagement

2015-2016

Supported by 162 staff

Expenditure



Expenditure £77.5m
(2015: £71.3m)

- Supporting outstanding science
- Fostering international and global cooperation
- Education and public engagement
- Providing scientific advice for policy
- Promoting science and its benefits
- Recognising excellence in science
- Other

The role of Fellows and Foreign Members



Map of Fellows and Foreign Members around the world



International networks



the interacademy partnership



European Academies



Science Advisory Council



ADVANCING SCIENCE, SERVING SOCIETY

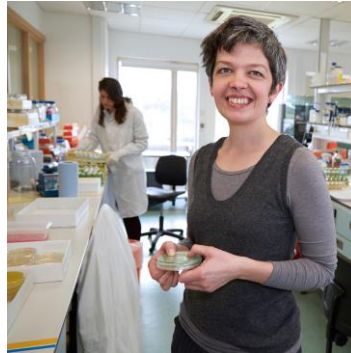


COMMONWEALTH
SCIENCE
CONFERENCE
2017



IASSF

Providing scientific advice for policy



**RESEARCH
LANDSCAPE**



EDUCATION



DATA



**RESILIENT
FUTURES**



WELLBEING



NEW HORIZONS

Science policy impact

- Provide the public access to information and evidence – GM Crops.
- Inform global initiatives – Geo-engineering.
- Inform national policy – hydraulic fracturing and the regulatory environment.
- Making the case for investment in science and research – 2015 Spending Review.



Biological and Toxin Weapons Convention (BTWC)



Meeting on trends in science and technology relevant to the BTWC, Warsaw, December 2015

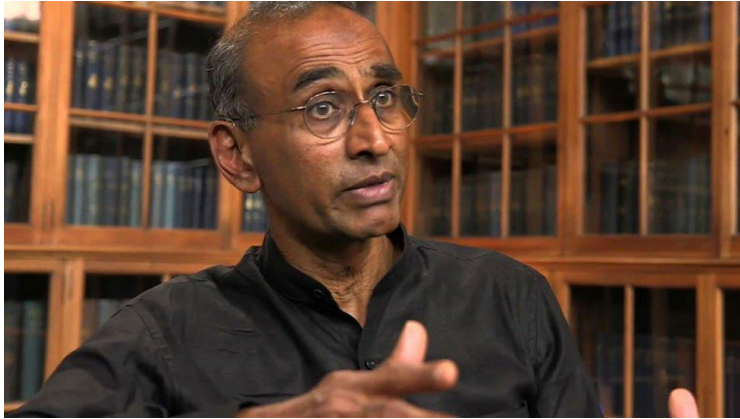
Science diplomacy



Visit of DPRK delegation to the Royal Society, March 2015

Europe - Brexit

Royal Society President Venki Ramakrishnan on BBC's Newsnight to discuss the underwriting of grants in July. The Treasury announced plans for this in August.



News story

Chancellor Philip Hammond guarantees EU funding beyond date UK leaves the EU

From: HM Treasury, The Rt Hon Greg Clark MP, The Rt Hon Philip Hammond MP, The Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP, The Rt Hon Andrea Leadsom MP, + others

First published: 13 August 2016

British businesses and universities will have certainty over future funding and should continue to bid for competitive EU funds while the UK remains a member of the EU.



Thousands of British organisations will receive guarantees over EU funding in a new move by Chancellor Philip Hammond today (13 August 2016).

Key projects supporting economic development across the UK will be given the green light, ending uncertainty over their future following the UK's decision to leave the European Union.

Science is global Campaign

The academies of Europe stand together to support our governments in encouraging our countries and institutions to work in partnership to deliver research, scholarship and innovation across the continent for the benefit of society.

#SciencelsGlobal



European academies' statement: Science is global

On the occasion of the ESOF conference in Manchester 2016, Europe's Academies celebrate the value of science and research. Many of today's most pressing challenges are global ones. International science and research collaborations greatly enhance the knowledge and tools we need to tackle them.

This means institutions from across Europe need to be free to recruit excellent researchers. Our researchers must be able to work, cooperate across borders and travel flexibly as part of multinational activities. We must support the exchange of ideas. Unnecessary barriers to this mobility will weaken science and be to the cost of all nations.

The academies of Europe stand together to support our governments in encouraging our countries and institutions to work in partnership to deliver research, scholarship and innovation across the continent for the benefit of society.



Thank you.