



INORE/ORE Supergen/MaREI Workshop

At the 12th EWTEC 2017 Conference, Cork

Date: Wednesday 30 August 2017

A collaborative workshop between INORE, ORE Supergen and MaREI to address:

The Future of ORE Research: The early career researcher (ECR) Perspective

OBJECTIVES

- Introduce INORE and the motivation for the collaboration between INORE, ORE Supergen and MaREI
- Discuss the future of ORE research from the PhD/ECR perspective
- Discuss how the 'whole systems' /interdisciplinary research approach may fit in the ORE sector
- Discuss how the ORE Supergen/MaREI can bring ECRs to influence the decision making
- Scope the ECR perspective about the key questions

AGENDA

Drinks and nibbles will be available throughout the workshop

- 17:30 - 17:35 Welcome and Introduction to INORE (Caity Clark)
- 17:35 – 17:45 Introduction to ORE Supergen/MaREI and the Workshop (Deborah Greaves; Jimmy Murphy)
- 17:45 – 18:30 Break-out discussion
- Topics
 1. How do we ensure that research priorities are aligned with industry needs?
 2. What are the key challenges for the R&D community in ORE sectors: offshore wind, wave, tidal? Shall these be tackled separately or combined?
 3. What are the challenges of delivering the 'whole systems' /interdisciplinary research approach? What measures are needed to facilitate this?
 4. How to ensure effective engagement of ECRs with existing and new groups in ORE research?
 5. How can PhD/ECR development opportunities can be boosted? How can ECRs be better supported by the new Hub? (E.g. Retreats, mentoring, workshops for developing new skills, etc.)
 6. Are industry / policy internships a good mechanism for developing future employment / R&D opportunities?
 7. What skills / level of technical knowledge do you expect to gain from recruiting a PhD /ECR? What skills / experience are needed to improve employability of PhD's? (e.g. communication skills)
 8. How can benefits/challenges of ORE be effectively communicated to the public?
- 18:30-18:45 Feedback and wrap up
- 18:45-19:00 Travel to the Gala dinner venue