Would you like to help US achieve the remarkable? Consider applying to join Southampton Enterprise Board

Expressions of Interest are invited from anyone who would like to join Southampton Enterprise Board (SEB) as an independent member.

SEB is a University committee under the accountability of the Vice-President (Research and Enterprise). Its core responsibility is to oversee and champion the enterprise and innovation agenda across the University, to enhance the University's strong enterprise ecosystem within a strategic framework and to help the University deliver remarkable things; to change the world for the better.

SEB focuses on quality and sustainability, whilst enabling enterprise activity to contribute to the diversification of income for the University, maximising the impact of its research outputs and maintain the University's world leading reputation for knowledge exchange and enterprise (KEE). It also ensures compatibility with the University's Strategy, the Knowledge Exchange and Enterprise Strategic Plan and the KEC Action Plan.

The board values the input of external stakeholders and is looking to appoint three independent volunteer members, who are keen to support the University in its vision for KEE and how it would contribute to the delivery of the University Strategy: *"To achieve remarkable things to change the world for the better and transform lives"*.

We are developing our new KEE Strategic Plan and we are committed to achieving significant transformational change in our culture, processes and systems, the customer journey and to have the confidence to back ambitious and bold initiatives.

We are looking for our independent members (not staff, students, contractors or agents of the University) to come from diverse backgrounds to introduce an external perspective to our KEE activities. We are particularly interested in applicants who bring experience and understanding of one or more of the following perspectives:

- industry, large corporate and/or SME
- innovation funding and venture capital investment
- public/non-profit/educational organisation
- the local economic environment (Southampton/Hampshire and Isle of Wight).

Members will be appointed for an initial term of three years and should have some understanding of the University, the <u>UK Innovation Strategy</u> and the <u>R&D People and Culture Strategy</u>.

SEB meets six times a year, with one annual away day. Membership of SEB is unfunded, but reasonable travel expenses will be covered.

Equality Diversity and Inclusivity:

Our vision for the University of Southampton is to be a community where every individual feels welcome, supported and valued, and is able to realise their potential. We want to ensure there is a strong breadth and diversity of input into SEB and we are seeking to ensure that its membership is as diverse as possible.

The deadline for Expressions of Interest has been extended until **5pm on Friday 29 October 2021**.

For more information or to submit your EoI, please contact Professor Mark Spearing, Vice-President (Research and Enterprise), at <u>S.M.Spearing@soton.ac.uk</u>, and copy to <u>f.d.wright@soton.ac.uk</u>.