OR54: WEDNESDAY, 5TH SEPTEMBER
MAKING AN IMPACT ("THE PRACTITIONERS’ STREAM")

Is it your day-job to solve problems in organisations - as an external consultant or an employee? Do the concepts and logic of a mathematical, scientific or O.R. background form an integral part of your mindset? If so, whatever your job title, the OR54 practitioners’ stream is aimed at you. Specifically, it is aimed at helping you exchange ideas and expertise with other people in the same position, building networks, and debating issues of immediate relevance to practice.

08.20-08.30 Introduction and welcome

08.30-9.30 Speed networking (facilitated by Sophie Carr)

09.30 – 10.30 Jason Field Conference Plenary

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee break

1100-1215 Facilitated Workshops on ‘hot’ topics in OR practice I (coordinated by Kate Swatridge & Ruth Kaufman)

Choose from: Technique tasters; Professional & personal development; Networking for introverts; Speaking without words; Build your own pub!; Selling OR; Ethical dilemmas in OR

12.15 – 13.15 Lunch

1315-14.45 President’s Medal
This is a conference Plenary session, showcasing three high quality case studies which have made a real difference.

14.45-1615 Facilitated Workshops on ‘hot’ topics in OR practice II (as above)

1615-1630 Tea

1630-1745 Practitioner – Academic Collaboration: Maximising Research Impact (chaired by Sally Brailsford)

Practitioners Sean Jones (NATS) & Tony O’Connor (GORS) and academics Prof Stewart Robinson (Loughborough) & Prof Mike Pidd (Lancaster) give brief personal perspectives, followed by a general discussion.

1745 Review of the Day

1800 Drinks reception sponsored by SIMUL8 Corporation

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