LARIA ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2017

CALL FOR SPEAKERS AND PAPERS

‘Hibernate or Innovate? Research and Intelligence in Challenging Times’

Tuesday, 23rd & Wednesday, 24th May 2017

Sheffield City Hall

If you’ve got something to say then say it at the LARIA Annual Conference. We are looking for keynote speakers and workshops.

We are looking for papers that describe how making changes in the way we fund, organise or execute research, teams, systems or data analysis has resulted in better intelligence and decision making. We are interested in a broad range of papers but have suggested a few themes to stimulate thinking:

**Changes in ways of working**:

New partnerships or working arrangements (e.g devolution, integration working the private sector)

Integration or restructuring across organisations and services

Social network analysis – who’s working in the same space?

New ways of rewarding people or new ways of communicating with staff

Using digital learning and professional development

Getting funding from usual workstreams\grants

Using new business models or improving current models

Building individual/team resilience to deal with change

**Innovation in thinking/creating sustainable innovation:**

Different research frameworks such as use of behaviour change models

Segmentation and other analysis that goes beyond the topline

Evaluation and analysis adaptable for more than one project ('do once, use many times')
Use of predictive algorithms/modelling tools to predict risk of certain behaviours or outcomes.

**Innovation in methods:**

Social media content analysis – what are people saying about a place, service or disease type etc online?

Wearables - how to harness new technology like wearables (goggle glasses, fitbits etc.)?

Ethnography – observation and understanding what anthropology has to offer
RCTs - findings and lessons learned

**Other innovations welcome!**

How are people making better use of big and local data and what new data linkage possibilities are there?

How are people using open data effectively?

What broader policy agendas are people affected by? Devolution/the impact of Brexit on research and intelligence at local, regional and national levels!
Using software and systems to improve insight and influence decision-makers

Getting the message across in new ways

You could discuss a project you have worked on the value your organisation has placed on research or anything else you think might be of interest to LARIA members. We are open to any ideas.

**This is your conference. Share what you are doing. Learn from others. Make a difference. Take part now.**

**Format**

* **Keynote speaker:** Have you got something big to say and to share? These sessions will be for 20-30 minutes to include questions and everyone will be listening. You can use PowerPoint or any other props, or just go solo and give a speech. Your vibrancy and knowledge will make these sessions memorable for our delegates.
* **Workshops:** These workshops **must be** **interactive** allowing the opportunity for delegates to debate and contribute, again focusing around the key themes identified. Each workshop will last up to 60 minutes. Joint workshops, involving public and private partners, are warmly welcomed.

**Please note** that all named keynote and workshop speakers will be given a free pass on the day of their session only (there can be a maximum of 2 presenters per session). We will not provide passes for members of the speaker’s team who are not named as participants on our programme. Passes will ONLY be given to those names on the submitted “Call for Papers” document, any speakers’ names given to LARIA after this date will be expected to cover the full delegate rate. LARIA are unable to pay for any travel or accommodation expenses except in exceptional cases.

If you wish to submit ideas to present then please complete the form on the page below and return it to Sarah Welsh, Conference Organiser at admin@laria.org.uk by no later than **Friday, 4th November 2016**

***Gerallt Evans-Hughes***

***Chair***

***LARIA Events Group***

**LARIA Annual Conference 2017**

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| Name of Speaker/s |  |
| **Job title of Speaker/s** |  |
| **Organisation of Speaker/s** |  |
| **Type of LARIA member** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Tel number** |  |
| **Type of session** |  |
| **Title of session** |  |
| **What is your session about?** ***Word limit*** ***(100 words)*** |  |
| **How does your session show research around the key themes identified*****(200 words)*** | .  |
| **How are you going to make your workshop an interactive session allowing delegates to contribute and debate?****(100 words)** |  |
| **What will delegates learn from your session and take away from this?*****Word limit*** ***(100 words)*** |  |
| **Will the session be accompanied by a published report or something available online? If so will this be launched at the conference?** ***Word limit*** ***(100 words)*** |  |