

UKAEA ICURE Engage – EGJUN25 Fusion Energy

Delivered by The SETsquared Partnership

Key Dates & Expectations

Applications Open: From 23rd May 2025

Applications Close: 23:59 on Sunday 22nd June 2025

Notification of results sent to applicants – Tuesday 24th June 2025

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Online Bootcamp x2 days: Monday 30th June & Tuesday 1st July 2025 (9.00am – 4.00pm)

Weekly Sessions x3: Thursday 10th July, 17th July and 24th July (final session for video presentations) (12.30pm – 2.30pm).

Participants will be expected to attend all sessions scheduled above and should hold these dates in their diary when applying.

To fully benefit from the programme, you should allocate approximately half a day of your own time in weeks 2-4 of the programme.

Application Process

Before applying, we advise you to look at the application template to understand what information is required.

Please complete the application form clearly and concisely.

Sections with * must be completed.

Before submitting your application, please ensure both your superior and, if possible, your Technology Transfer Office (TTO) is aware and supportive of your application and therefore programme attendance.

*** Dates subject to change.*

What is Engage?

ICURE Engage Fusion is a 4-week, part-time programme delivered by the SETsquared Partnership, and aims to identify potential beneficiaries of research, introduce participants to tools for commercialisation, and foster consideration of entrepreneurship as a pathway for achieving societal impact and a viable career choice.

Innovate UK's ICURE (Innovation to Commercialisation of University Research) Programme is a nationwide programme which supports students and researchers to explore the commercial applications and potential impacts of their research.

What's Included?

- 2 Day online training bootcamp covering:
 - Entrepreneurial Thinking
 - The Language of Business
 - Emotional Resilience and Wellbeing
 - Introduction to Verbal Business Card and Value Proposition
 - Impact and marketing testing online
- 3 weekly sessions covering:
 - Value Proposition and your market
 - Testing your Value Proposition
 - Your video reflecting your learning.

All programme materials have been aligned with the [EntreComp model](#).

- Engage provides a route towards other ICURE Programmes.
(Please note Discover and Explore programme will require their own application, there is no automatic entry if Engage is completed).

Why Attend?

Past participants say that having dedicated time to spend understanding what commercialisation of research means has dramatically changed their perspective on their research, ideas, and innovations. The programme provides the space and opportunity to consider research impact, commercialisation, and entrepreneurship.

Who is Eligible?

This ICURE Engage programme is focussed on fusion energy; it is open to and tailored for Research Students and all technicians (all disciplines), Masters (Research), PhD students and post-docs. This opportunity is available regardless of whether you already have an innovative idea, as the programme introduces you to ICURE and provides the space and opportunity to think about entrepreneurship differently.

If you think that your course of study, your idea and/or your research could be applicable to fusion energy or address a key challenge in this sector, you should be eligible for this opportunity.

About fusion energy

Fusion energy is the process that powers the stars. When a mix of two forms of hydrogen (deuterium and tritium) is heated to extreme temperatures - 10 times hotter than the core of the Sun - it becomes a plasma. The hydrogen can then fuse together to create helium and release energy which could be harnessed to produce electricity.

More information: <https://www.gov.uk/ukaea> social media: @UKAEAofficial

We also welcome applications from individuals in:

- Universities who have not participated in the ICURE programme.
- Universities who do not receive HEIF funding.
- Approved public sector research establishments (PSREs).

We are committed to supporting Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and welcome applications from anyone who is eligible.

How do I apply?

Please use [THIS LINK](#)

Apply: For any questions and additional information contact:

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