



## International development with lasting impact

Tea/coffee: 09.00, 11.00 and 15.00

Start: 09.30

### Session 1: How to write a fundable GCRF application

- Introduction: ODA compliant research – a new way of working
- Discussion: what is impact – for Overseas Development Assistance (ODA)?
- Presentation: How to write a fundable GCRF proposal
- Discussion
- Fast Track Impact GCRF resources

### Session 2: Planning for impact

- 5 ways ensure your GCRF research delivers impact
- Identifying who might be interested in, benefit from or facilitate/block your research
  - Stakeholder analysis exercise (individually or in pairs)
  - Partnership building for future GCRF bids
- Planning for impact: introduction to Fast Track Impact template and Theory of Change
- What makes a good pathway to impact underpinning ODA in a GCRF proposal?

13.00 Lunch

### Session 3: Evidencing impact

- Impact tracking – sharing good practice
- Design an impact evaluation (including small group exercise to design an evaluation)
- Evidencing impact: turning evaluation findings into citable evidence

### Session 4: Designing and facilitating meetings/workshops with partners and stakeholders

Designing and facilitating partnership meetings and workshops with stakeholders that are easy to facilitate, efficient and enjoyable.

Close: 16.30



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Training by researchers for researchers

## Trainer

**Prof Mark Reed** is a recognized international expert in impact research with >150 publications and >13,000 citations. He holds a Research England and N8 funded chair at Newcastle University, is research lead for an international charity and has won two Research Council prizes for the impact of his research. His work has been funded by ESRC, NERC, AHRC and BBSRC, and he regularly collaborates and publishes with scholars from the arts and humanities to physical sciences. He regularly sits on funding panels and reviews programmes of research for the Research Councils.

He has run workshops to help researchers prepare for GCRF funding across the UK in collaboration with the Research Councils and the UK Collaborative on Development Sciences (UKCDS). He worked with cattle herders in the Kalahari for his PhD and since then has done research funded by the EU, British Academy and the United Nations with marginal agricultural communities across the developing world. His most recent book, published by Routledge is based on his work for the UN Convention to Combat Desertification and the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change.

He has been commissioned to write reports and talk to international policy conferences by the United Nations and has been a science advisor to the BBC. Mark provides training and advice to Universities, research funders, NGOs and policy-makers internationally, and regularly works with business. Find out more about his work at: [www.profmarkreed.com](http://www.profmarkreed.com) or follow him on Twitter [@profmarkreed](https://twitter.com/profmarkreed)

## Fast Track Impact

Fast Track Impact is an international training company working in the Higher Education and research and innovation sectors. Our mission is to change the way busy researchers generate and share knowledge, so that their ideas can change the world, and they can get their thinking time back.

We run training for researchers from every discipline, from PhD students to Professors, from departmental away days to cross-institution training days. We have trained >4000 researchers from >200 institutions in 55 countries and offer face-to-face trainings across the world from the UK to Australia.

Fast Track Impact was co-founded by Prof Mark Reed (Newcastle University) and Dr Ana Attlee (Project Maya Community Interest Company) in 2013, funded by the UK Government's Research Councils, and launched as an independent spin-out company in 2015, led by Prof Reed.

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