

Memorandum of Understanding

July 2019 - July 2021

has agreed to join the Network for Evaluating and Researching University Participation Interventions (NERUPI) a collaboration of higher education institutions which aims to:

- develop members' expertise and capacity in evaluating widening participation interventions
- explore innovative, appropriate and rigorous approaches to evaluation
- generate collaborative research and evaluation projects

Membership of NERUPI enables partners to meet Office for Student requirements to:

- improve practice through better evaluation,
- evaluate robustly
- draw on expertise and relationships beyond your organisation.

(OfS Regulatory Notice 1: Access and Participation Plan guidance for 2019-20 page 12)

This memorandum of understanding Network for Evaluating and Researching University Participation Interventions (NERUPI) confirms the formal arrangements for subscribers

This memorandum explains the benefits and arrangements for participation:

Participation in this project will offer partners:

- ♦ access to the full NERUPI Framework
- specialist resources and tools from the members only section of the NERUPI website designed to support the planning, evaluation and reporting process
- a minimum of four expert workshops each year
- webinars on key topics including evaluation methods
- opportunities to join working groups on key topics
- ♦ attendance at the annual NERUPI Convention

Per annum contributions for the period 2019-20

The agreed costs to The University of Bath will be £1,500 per year, normally for two years, payable to NERUPI at the University of Bath. Partner institutions will be invoiced in or around July 2019 for the year July 2019 to June 20 and in July 2020 for the year July 2020 to June 2021. Membership commences on receipt of payment.

Subscriptions from NCOPs and other partnerships are welcome and will be based on the number of HEIs in the Consortium and the size of each of those institutions:

Organisation	Annual Subscription Cost
HEI under 3000 undergraduate students	£600

HEI over 3000 undergraduate students	£1500
NCOP, consortia and other organisations	Variable

Steering Group NERUPI will be overseen by a Steering Group of elected members and will be located at the University of Bath which will provide office space, employment and financial services. Intellectual Property Rights will be retained by NERUPI.

Academic Advisory Board NERUPI will be advised and supported by an Academic Advisory Board chaired by Professor Jaqueline Stevenson, Sheffield Hallam University.

Annette Hayton will convene and manage the Network on behalf of the University of Bath which will provide office space, employment and financial services.

The NERUPI Development Officer will coordinate activities, update the website and support new members in applying and using the framework.

Participating HEIs will each identify a representative to attend an annual meeting (normally taking place at the NERUPI convention) which will contribute to the on-going review and development of the Network.

All partners to be consulted on whether they wish to continue to provide funding beyond the two year agreed period by March 2019, at the latest.

Signed on behalf of the Network for Evaluating and Researching Participation Interventions (NERUPI):

Signed:	Annette Hayton
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Signed on be	half of Organisation:
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