

# CELTIC ACADEMIES ALLIANCE



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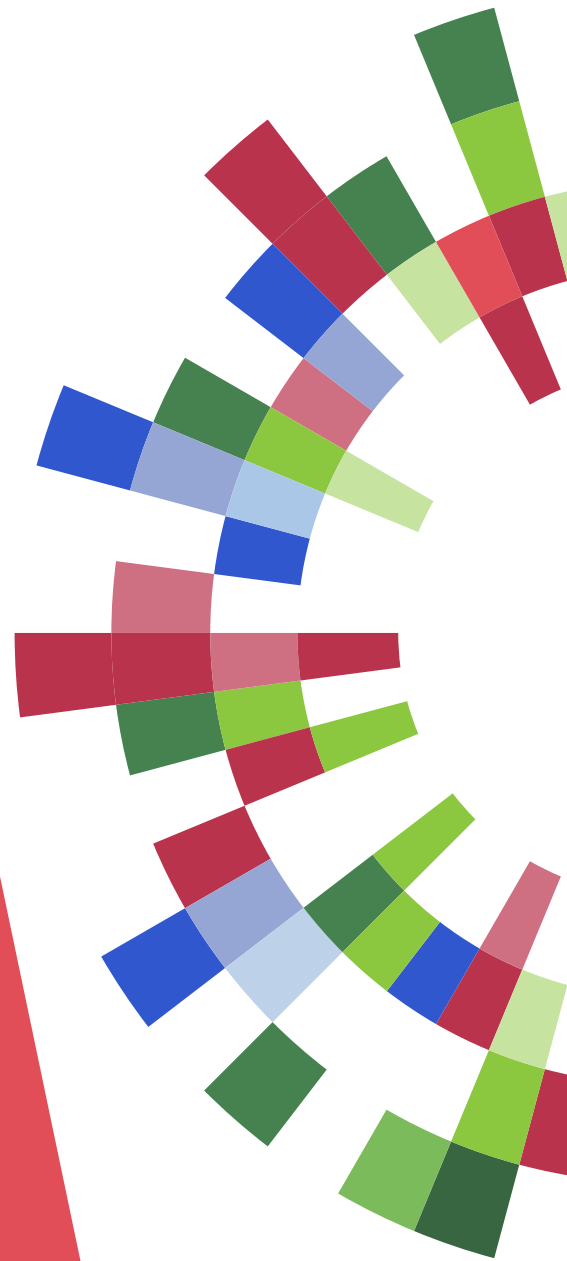
The Celtic Academies Alliance brings together the national academies of Ireland (the Royal Irish Academy), Scotland (the Royal Society of Edinburgh) and Wales (the Learned Society of Wales) to provide a forum for researchers, policy makers, industry, and the arts and cultural sectors on the island of Ireland and in Scotland and Wales to connect, communicate and collaborate, while working to strengthen understanding at UK level of issues facing the devolved nations.

## The Celtic Academies Alliance aims to:

- Provide independent expert advice on higher education and research and other shared issues;
- Support the evolution of more effective intra-UK and UK–Ireland governance, especially in the post-Brexit context; and
- Ensure that the UK government and its bodies take proper account of the needs and differing situations of the devolved nations.

## To meet these aims, the Alliance will:

- Organise meetings and events that bring together policy makers, institutions and other stakeholders;
- Work to strengthen links between our academies and relevant UK bodies, including government departments and research bodies;
- Produce briefing papers and other documents that set out the Alliance's shared positions; and
- Share learning and information between our member academies.



## ABOUT THE ACADEMIES

The national academies identify, recognise and champion world-class researchers; support excellent scholarship and research; facilitate international co-operation and harness the multidisciplinary expertise and experience of their members and fellows for public benefit.

 Acadamh Ríoga na hÉireann Royal Irish Academy	 RSE The Royal Society of Edinburgh	 CYMDEITHAS DDYSGEDIG CYMRU THE LEARNED SOCIETY OF WALES
Royal Irish Academy	Royal Society of Edinburgh	Learned Society of Wales
580 Members	1,600 Fellows and 135 Young Academy Members	550 Fellows
Sciences, humanities and social sciences	Science and technology, arts, humanities, social science, business and public service	Sciences, humanities and social sciences
75 staff	50 staff	7 staff

## CELTIC ACADEMIES ALLIANCE ACTIVITIES 2020–1

- Submissions and responses to government initiatives and consultations, e.g. letter to the UK Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy on the implementation of the 2020 UK research and development roadmap;
- Roundtables on research and development in the devolved nations;
- Explainer notes, e.g. *The European structural and investment funds: contribution to UK research and innovation* (with the British Academy).

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