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Recommendations
&
Closing Plenary: Exploiting Gained Knowledge and Igniting Change

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Recommendation (Room 1.17)

Parallel session: Challenges of SDG-Driven Research

Recommendation: "SDGs are the best framework for impact we have; just adjust them to your specific project."

Recommendation (Room in building TRH)

Parallel session: Strengthening Cross Border Knowledge Exchange to Collaborate for Societal Challenges

Recommendation: "Global & local impact in terms of "societal challenges" have to be observed through a crosscutting lens, with some practical sense, e.g. Funding entities, identified collaborations, minorities and regions"

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Recommendation (Room 0.47)

Communication and Public Engagement

Recommendation: "Universities need to care about engagement with the public as much as they care about brand and marketing. Our futue depends on it."

Recommendation (Room 6.35)

Societal Impact through Collaborations with SME's

Recommendation: "Impact with and through SMEs is just as logical for AHSS as it is via STEM - indeed it is more important as they do not come looking for us. And of course, R&I officers are critical for this!"

Recommendation

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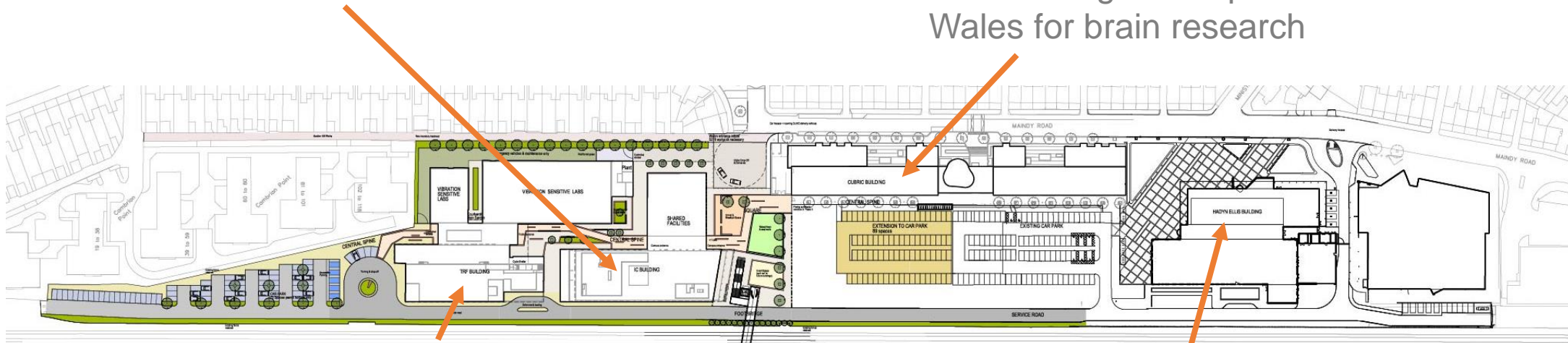
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Words from Chris Taylor

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SPARK and Cardiff Innovations@sbarc

Cardiff University Brain Research Imaging Centre (CUBRIC)

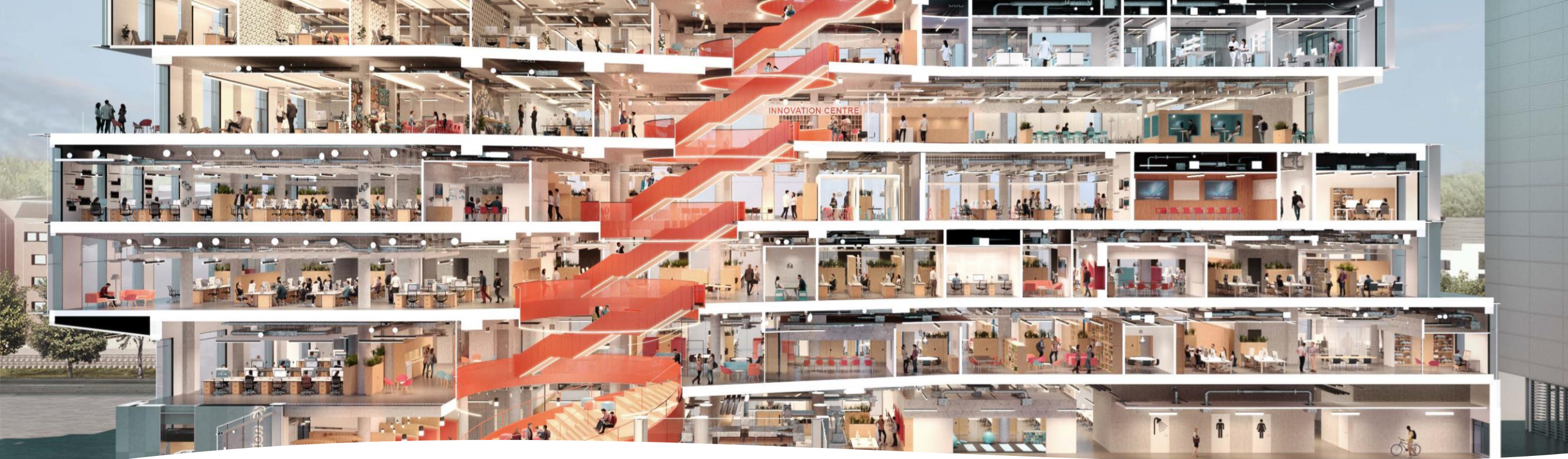Establishing a European Centre of Excellence in Wales for brain research

Translational Research Facility for Catalysis and Semiconductors

Cardiff Catalysis Institute (CCI) Institute for Compound Semiconductors (ICS)

Hadyn Ellis Building

European Cancer Stem Cell Research Neuroscience and Mental Health Research Institutes.

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12,000m² purpose-built facility on the Cardiff University Innovation Campus, co-locating 800 people, half of whom will be from the private, public and third sectors

Aims

to create a unique culture and environment for creativity, entrepreneurship and innovation
to provide new resources for developing our analytical and creative capacities
to showcase and develop the intellectual and professional talent amongst staff and students
to undertake cutting-edge solution-oriented research

Cardiff Innovations@sbarc

2,800m² of lettable units, including 500m² of lettable wet labs and 300m² of co-working area designed to increase the successful translation of research and innovation processes into new and improved commercial products, processes and services

Social Science Research Park (SPARK)

co-location of all the University's major social science research centres and institutes alongside research collaborators from the private, public and third sectors working together with the aim of addressing major societal challenges

Social Science Research Park

Y Parc Ymchwil Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol

A community driven by expertise, creativity, curiosity and entrepreneurship focused on tackling the complex challenges facing societies around the world

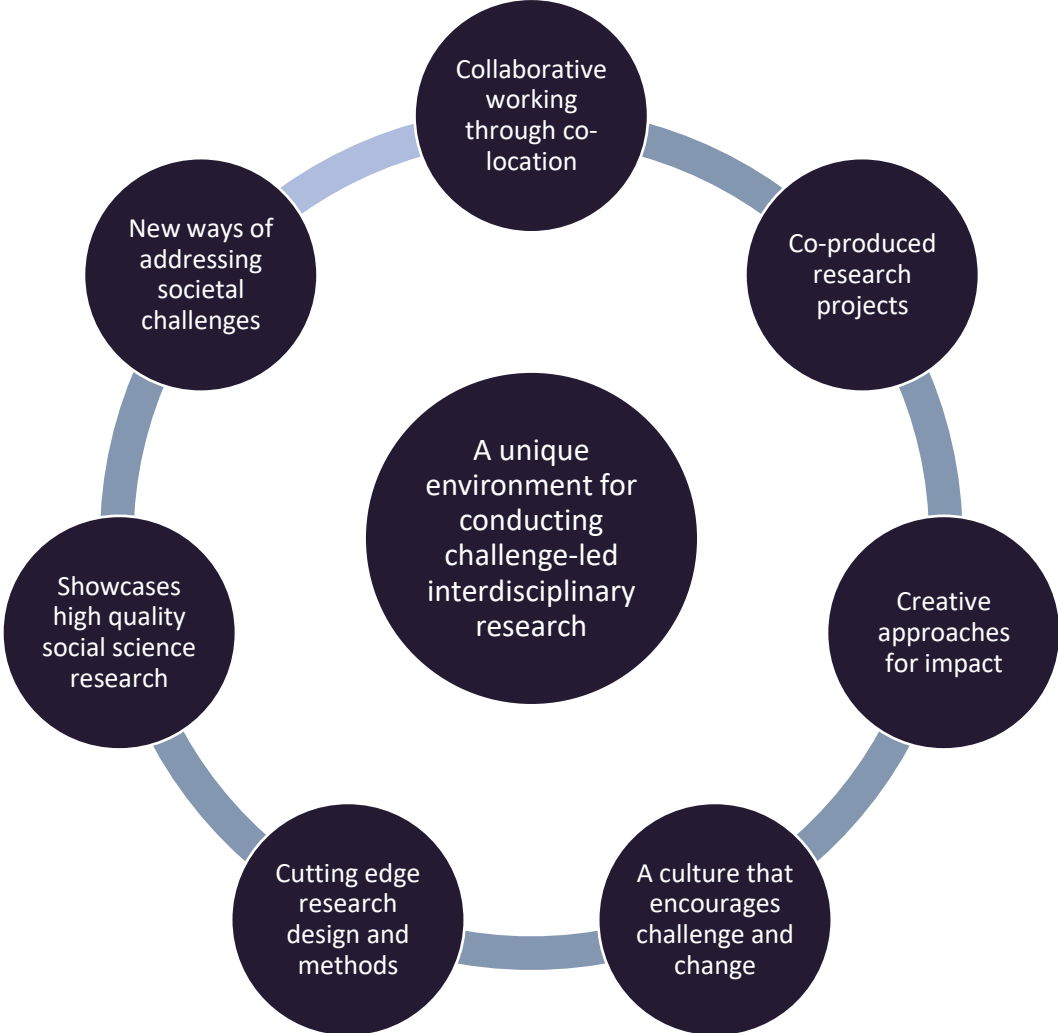- Grow our international reputation in research excellence
- Support the Cardiff Capital Region economy and that of Wales more broadly
- Undertake high quality stakeholder and industrial collaboration
- Attract increased investment in our work
- Benefit students and graduate entrepreneurship
- Contribute to civil society across the region

A unique environment for conducting challenge-led interdisciplinary research

- Collaborative working through co-location
- Co-produced research projects
- Creative approaches for impact
- A culture that encourages challenge and change
- Cutting edge research design and methods
- Showcases high quality social science research
- New ways of addressing societal challenges

Societal Challenges: mental health, public service delivery, security, data, inequalities, artificial intelligence, sustainability, futures

SPARK Research and Innovation Ecosystem
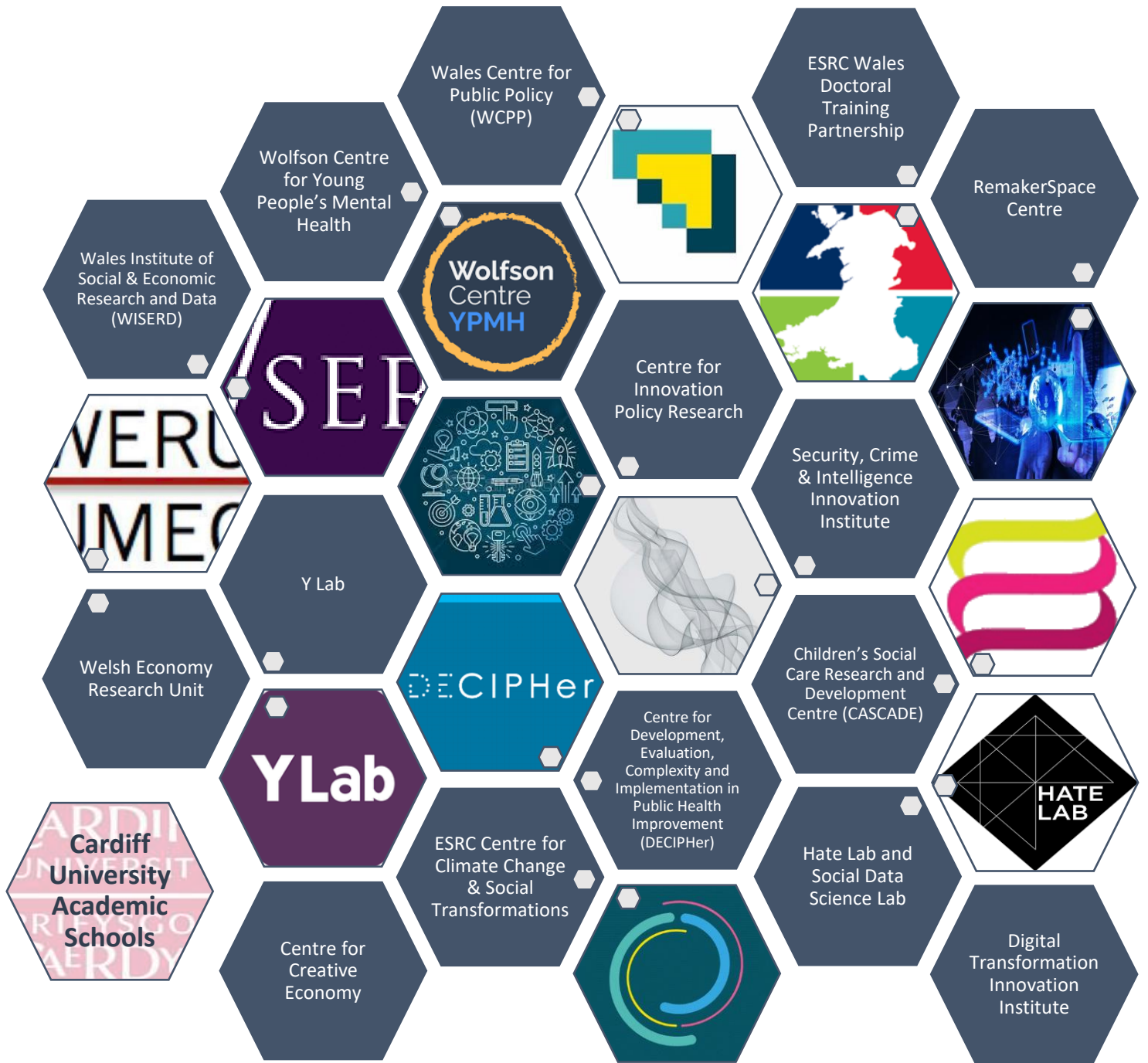
Associated Research Centres

International Public Policy Observatory

University Strategic Partnerships

Office for National Statistics

Memorandums of Understanding

Future Generations Commissioner

SPARK Membership

DSV Logistics

Cardiff University Academic Schools

Wales Centre for Public Policy (WCPP)

Wolfson Centre for Young People's Mental Health

Wales Institute of Social & Economic Research and Data (WISERD)

Wolfson Centre YPMH

ESRC Wales Doctoral Training Partnership

RemakerSpace Centre

Centre for Innovation Policy Research

Security, Crime & Intelligence Innovation Institute

Y Lab

Welsh Economy Research Unit

DECIPHer

Children's Social Care Research and Development Centre (CASCADE)

Centre for Development, Evaluation, Complexity and Implementation in Public Health Improvement (DECIPHer)

ESRC Centre for Climate Change & Social Transformations

Hate Lab and Social Data Science Lab

Centre for Creative Economy

Digital Transformation Innovation Institute

Benefits of SPARK Membership

Social Science Research Park
Y Parc Ymchwil Gwyddorau Cymdeithasol

Benefits to external members

- Flexible office space and access to meeting rooms and event space
- Research expertise and mentoring
- Research skills training and professional development
- University library resources
- Participation in the SPARK community
- Research ethics advice
- Access to external research funding through joint proposals
- Participation in SPARK events
- Secure access to data for research purposes
- Opportunities for participatory research
- Early adoption of latest research findings
- Access to evaluation

- Collaborative research projects
- Staff secondment opportunities
- A more diverse work environment
- Collaborative doctoral research studentships
- Student placement opportunities
- Extend UK and international networks
- Contribution to teaching and learning across the University
- Maximise research outputs
- Co-produced events and activities
- Encourage greater creativity
- Safe environment for critique and challenge

Benefits to University

- Closer relationships with users of research
- Access to new forms of research data
- New research and funding opportunities
- Creative ideas for dissemination and impact
- Non-academic expert advice
- Sustained relationships with policy makers and practitioners
- Improved access to research participants
- Methodological innovations
- Greater impact of publications
- Commercialisation of research
- Reduced risk in research

External organisations located in sbarc|spark

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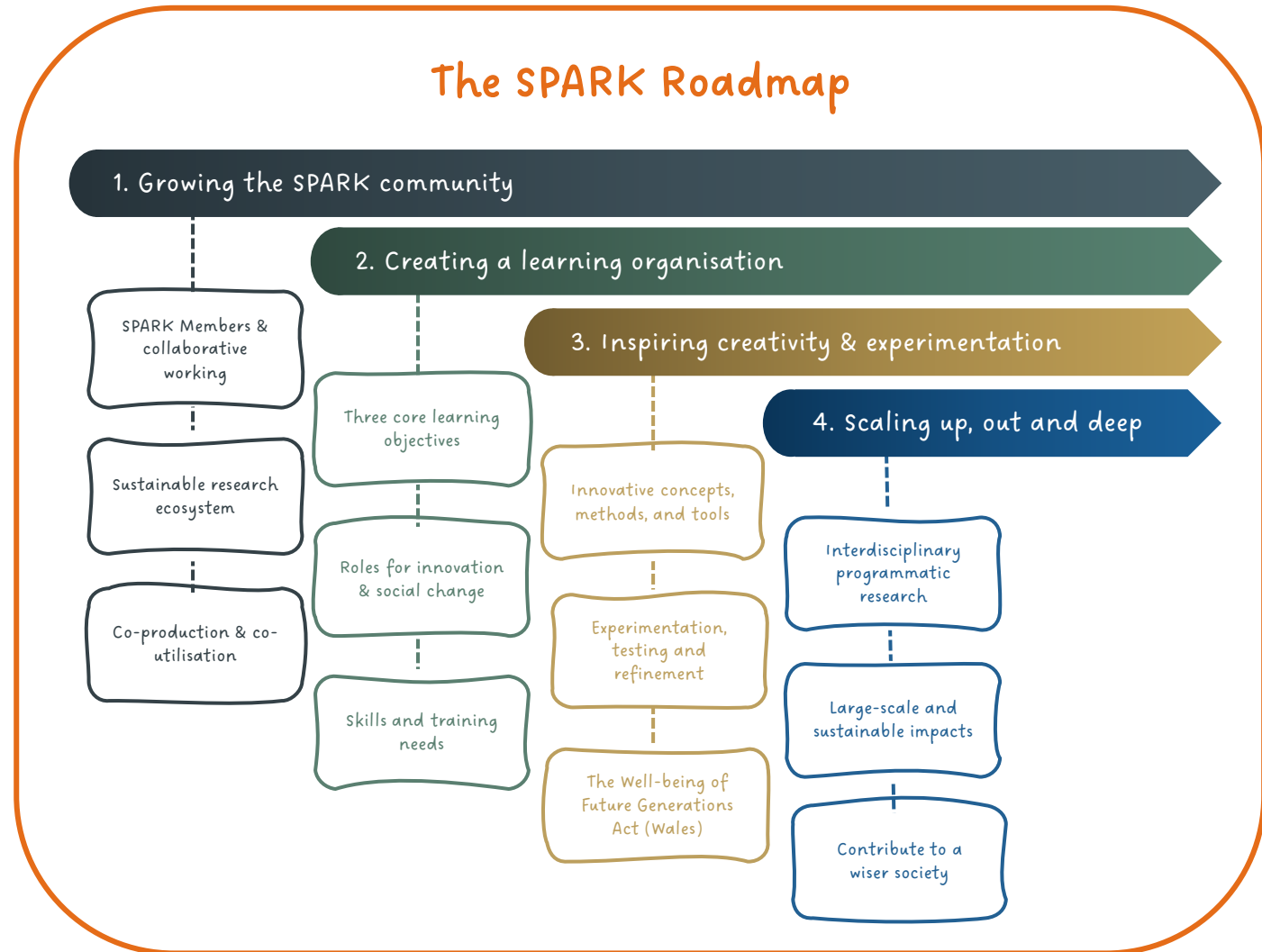
Although the social sciences have successfully created new knowledge and understanding they have been much less effective in learning how new knowledge might be used and applied

increasing recognition that to effectively address these challenges in society, social science research needs to change

SPARK aims to do this in two main ways:

1. by delivering a step-change in our social science research

   encouraging and developing innovative methodological, theoretical and social practices in SPARK through the co-production of research with our partners

2. by becoming a 'just anchor' for its immediate community

   applying the learning and outputs from SPARK within the Cardiff Capital Region through the co-utilisation of research with our local communities

The SPARK Roadmap

1. Growing the SPARK community

2. Creating a learning organisation

3. Inspiring creativity & experimentation

4. Scaling up, out and deep

- SPARK Members & collaborative working
- Sustainable research ecosystem
- Co-production & co-utilisation

- Three core learning objectives
- Roles for innovation & social change
- Skills and training needs

- Innovative concepts, methods, and tools
- Experimentation, testing and refinement
- The Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales)

- Interdisciplinary programmatic research
- Large-scale and sustainable impacts
- Contribute to a wiser society

Social Science
Research Park

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Cardiff University Social Science Research Park
innovative thinking, collaborative working, sharing ideas

If you have any questions about the Cardiff University
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Closing Remarks by AESIS

Thank you all for a fantastic conference!

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15:30 - Closing reception

16:00 - Raffle!