

Innovation Brokerage and Exchange

Together, we can turn wicked problems into good news

Workshop: youth entrepreneurship

Workshop: entrepreneurship for people living with disability

- Don't give your idea away.
- Don't keep it to yourself.
- Help it to take off with the Innovation Exchange

At the innovation Exchange workshop SACOMA will be looking for good ideas to support young people and independent living. Youth entrepreneurship can have innovative solutions, but developing them can be hard. SACOMA is working to change that by bringing innovators, investors and commissioners together in collaborative innovation. We want to bring innovators, investors and commissioners together to generate new support for innovation and better services for young people.

What do we mean by innovation?

By innovation, we mean projects that help people by solving important problems in new ways.

They are:

- Practical – about action as well as ideas
- Necessary – needed by the people they serve
- New – possibly adapt old ideas to new settings, but are leading edge
- Scaleable – generate solutions that are significant for whole systems

Your innovation might be a plan for future work, a fledgling project you have been trying to develop or something you have been working on intensively for some time. All are welcome in this process.

Whatever the scale at which you are working, the aim of the Innovation Exchange would be to help you to develop your work, evaluate it and where possible to grow it. We want to bring innovators, investors and commissioners together to generate new support for third sector innovation and better services for people.

Those with the best ideas will be invited to our Festivals of Ideas:

Attendees will have the opportunity to network with innovators, commissioners and social investors to develop and build support for their work. Participants will be supported to develop their plans during May and June and in July the best will receive dedicated support from SACOMA cfe to improve and grow their work.

If you are an innovator, investor or public service commissioner and would like the chance to be part of this process.

What kinds of innovation are we looking for?

How can we ensure disabled people, (including older disabled people) have greater control in their lives? How can we help excluded young people to build supportive relationships and to work and learn in ways that work for them?

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Want to promote your product, idea or technology? Want to discuss collaboration or explore partnerships? Meet investors, manufacturers, buyers, licensees, distributors or technology scouts at the Innovation Brokerage Event.

How can you get involved?

For a chance to be part of this process, there are two things you need to do. Write three paragraphs about your project (and no more) to answer these three questions:

- What is the problem you are working to solve?
- How are you going to do it?
- Who will benefit?

Then either email your idea to us at Email: Katherine@sacoma.org.uk.

Or post it direct to us.

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To **take part in the Innovation Brokerage Event** complete the following steps:

Please remember, to register for the **SACOMA WES- EA** - for individual one-to-one private meetings. To participate you must register on both areas.

Details are stored in accordance with our **privacy policy** and will not be sold/passed on to third parties.

Potential exhibitors should visit the **exhibitor enquiry form** to register their interest.

To register for the event you must complete the form below.

Title

First Name

Surname

Job Title

Company

Address

Address 2

City

Country

Postcode/Zip Code

Email

Interest:

1. **Investment**
2. **Licensing**
3. **Buyer**
4. **Distributor**
5. **Partnering**
6. **Other**

Once completed, please send this form back to us via;

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