Monday 27th March

DAY 1 (ROOM LOCATION: WPT003)

TIME	ITEM	CHAIR
11.30 – 12.45	Registration & light refreshments on arrival	
12.45 – 13.00	Welcome and Centre Overview	Prof. Jin Xuan
13.00 – 14.00	Keynote 1: Circular Chemistry to enable a Circular Economy	Prof. Jin Xuan
	Dr. J.C. (Chris) Slootweg, Faculty of Science, University of Amsterdam.	
14.00 – 14.30	Break	
	Presentations: Research Theme 1 - Enabling Technologies	Prof. Alex Cowan
14.30 – 14.35	Theme Introduction - Prof. Alex Cowan, University of Liverpool.	
14.35 – 14.55	Electrochemical CO₂ Reduction - Prof. Eileen Yu, Loughborough University.	
14.55 – 15.05	Multi-objective predictive optimisation of an enhanced weathering CO ₂ capture process in response to intermittent flue gas and renewable energy supply - Dr Oliver Fisher, University of Surrey.	
15.05 – 15.20	Thermochemical and biological transformation technologies for lignocellulosic biowastes conversion - Swathi Mukundan, Loughborough University.	
15.20 – 15.33	Catalytic transformation of polymers waste to liquid hydrocarbons - Dr Alexandros Katsoulidis, University of Liverpool.	
15.33 – 15.46	Computational Insights in Aliphatic Chain Activation - Dr Alberto Roldan Martinez, Cardiff University.	
15.46 – 16.00	Q&A session.	



16.00 – 16.30	Break	
16.30 – 17:30	Panel Discussion: Chemicals for Net Zero – What does the UK need to prioritise?	Prof. Jin Xuan
	Peter Clark, KTN head of chemistry & industrial biotech.	
	Jeremy Shears, Chief Scientist, Shell Research Limited.	
	Greg Archer, LanzaTech.	
	Selena Ambrose, Promethean.	
17.30	Close	

Tuesday 28th March

DAY 2 (ROOM LOCATION: WPT003)

TIME	ITEM	CHAIR
08.45 – 09.15	Registration	
09.15 – 09.30	Welcome	Prof. Jin Xuan
09.30 – 10.15	Keynote 2: Closed Loop Plastic Recycling – The Journey Prof. David Hughes, Associate Dean R&I, Teesside University.	Prof. Jin Xuan
	Presentations: Research Theme 2 – Process Integration and Whole System Optimisation	Prof. Benoit Chachuat
10.15 – 10.35	Theme Introduction - Prof. Benoit Chachuat, Imperial College London.	
10.35 – 10.55	Process Integration within the Circular Chemical Economy - Ben Lyons, Imperial College London. Sustainable ethylene production on the Teesside —	
10.55 – 11.15	Dr Andrea Bernardi, Imperial College London.	



11.15 – 11.35	Whole systems thinking towards a roadmap for chemical circularity - Matthew Royle, University of Newcastle.	
11.35 – 11.45	Q&A session	
11.45 – 13.15	Networking Lunch & Poster Presentation	
	Plenary presentation by industry and academics	Prof. Libby Gibson
13.15 – 13.35	Pierre Moreau, Plastic Energy.	
13.35 – 13.55	Prof Aidong Yang, University of Oxford.	
13.55 – 14.15	Chris Holt, Ensus.	
14.15 – 15.30	Panel discussion: Excellence and Innovation in UK Chemicals Research.	Prof. Libby Gibson
	Chris Holt, Ensus	
	Mariya Konstantinova, R&D Packaging Innovation Technologist, Britvic.	
	Dr Lirong Liu, University of Surrey.	
15.30 – 15.45	Break	
15.45 – 15.55	Introduction to SME projects, by Innovate UK.	Amy Peace
	Presentations: Innovate UK Grant Holders	Amy Peace
15.55 – 16.05	Ruth Bowley, Hexigone Inhibitors Limited.	
16.05 – 16.15	Sarah Karmel, Rheon Labs Ltd.	
16.15 – 16.25	Djelloul Seghier, NDT consultants.	
16.25 – 16.35	Bev Fawdington, Uvamed.	
16.25 – 16.45	Q&A Session.	



16.45 – 17.00	Circular Economy Innovation Network CCU Action Plan + Funding opportunities, Knowledge Transfer Network (KTN)	Prof. Jin Xuan
	Poster Competition Prize Announcement	
17.00 – 18.30	Welcome Reception	Prof. Jin Xuan

Wednesday 29th March

DAY 3 (ROOM LOCATION: WPT001)

TIME	ITEM	CHAIR
8.45 – 9.15	Registration	
09.15 – 09.30	Welcome	Prof. Peter Styring
09.30 – 10.15	Keynote 3: The process of change. How does government work? Nick MacInnes, Office of the Chief Scientific Adviser, DEFRA. Lily Tozer, Department for Energy Security & Net Zero.	Prof. Peter Styring
10.15 – 10.45	Break and Networking	



	Presentation: Theme 3 – Policy, Society & Finance	Prof. Bing Xu
10.45 – 11.05	Understanding key factors accelerating circularity in chemicals manufacturing - Prof. Bing Xu, Heriot-Watt University.	
11.05 – 11.25	Modelling the emergence of a circular chemical economy - Dr Ruini Qu, Heriot-Watt University.	
11.25 – 11.45	Developing evidence-based policies for the implementation of a circular economy in the UK chemical sector - Dr Katie Lamb, University of Sheffield.	
11.45 – 12.05	Redesigning our plastics system – how policy will be key for implementing non-mechanical recycling – Adam Herriott, WRAP.	
12.05 – 12.15	Q&A Session.	
12.15 – 13.00	Panel Discussion: Accelerating the Circular Chemical Economy	Prof. Peter Styring
	David Bott, Society of Chemical Industry.	
	Beena Sharma, CCU International.	
	Alastair Sanderson, Unilever.	
13.00 – 13.15	Close and Lunch	Prof. Jin Xuan