

Day 1

9.30am – 10.30am – Registration, (Ground floor entrance)

10.30am – 10.35am – Welcome and Housekeeping, (LT1, Basement,)

[Louise Dye, Co-Director People Pillar NAPIC, University of Sheffield](#)

10.35am – 10.45am – Opening Remarks

[Koen Lamberts, President & Vice Chancellor of The University of Sheffield](#)

10.45am – 11.30am – Plenary Speech

[Bruce Friedrich, President of the Good Food Institute](#)

11.30am – 12.00pm - **Break posters & sponsors (Basement Foyer & Floor 1, Moonscape)**

12.00pm – 12.20pm – From Launch to Legacy: NAPIC's Evolution in Alternative Proteins

[NAPIC CEO](#)

12.20pm – 12.55pm – NAPIC R&I Spotlights (max 6)

12.55pm – 1.05pm – Premium Sponsor Slots x2

1.05pm – 2.30pm – Lunch, posters & exhibitors (Basement Foyer & Floor 1, Moonscape)

(1.05pm – 1.15pm – Group photo – optional)

Theme: People and Perform Pillar

Chair: Louise Dye (University of Sheffield)

2.30pm – 3.15pm – Keynote Policy

[Robin May, Chief Scientific Adviser, Food Standards Agency](#)

3.15pm – 3.35pm – Academic Talk

[Alexandra Sexton, Assistant Professor in the Department of Geography, Durham University](#)

3.35pm – 3.55pm – Industry Talk

[Michel Mellema, Innovation Program Director Re-Imagine Wellness-Protein, IFF Europe](#)

3.55pm – 4.20pm – Break, posters & sponsors (Basement Foyer & Floor 1, Moonscape)

4.20pm – 5.00pm - Fireside chat: Discovery to Innovation to Commercialisation in Alternative Proteins Spin Outs

[Microlub – CPT Capital, Coco Hollamby \(Investor\), Andrea Araiza Colohorra \(Technical Director\)](#)

[Renew Foods – Tuck Seng Wong \(Founder\), Big Ideas Venture \(Investor\)](#)

[Host = Anwesha Sarkar, Co-Director Perform Pillar NAPIC, University of Leeds](#)

5.00pm – 5.30pm - Future funding landscape

[BBSRC & Innovate UK](#)

6.45pm – Conference Dinner, Cutlers Hall (book separately)

Day 2

7.30am – 8am – Morning Yoga/meditation

9.00am – 9.05am - Welcome and Housekeeping (LT1, Basement)

Theme: Process and Produce Pillar

Chair, Karen Polizzi (Imperial College London)

9.05am – 9.45am – Keynote : "Unlocking the potential of precision fermentation for the production of alternative proteins with engineering biology".

Rodrigo Amaro Ledesma, Director of the Bezos Centre for Sustainable Protein, Director of the Microbial Food Hub, Imperial College London

9.45am – 10.05am – International Talk

Tufts University Center for Cellular Agriculture

10.05am – 10.25am – Industry Talk

Trisha Toop, Chief Technology Officer, Upp

10.25am – 10.45am – Academic Talk

Alessia Buscaino, Professor in Fungal Epigenetics, University of Kent

10.45am – 11.10am – Break, posters, sponsors (Basement Foyer & Floor 1, Moonscape)

11.10am – 11.25am – BBSRC/Innovate case studies

Sarah Gaunt, SPG Innovation

Case study 2 - tbc

11.25am – 12.05pm – Fireside chat on feedstock

Host = Derek Stewart, Co-Director of Produce Pillar NAPIC, James Hutton Institute

12.05 – 12.25 – Collaborative Programme Funding Opportunities

Kieran Tuohy, Scientific Management Team Champion NAPIC, University of Leeds

12.25pm – 12.30pm – Poster Prize award

Sponsor present

12.30am – 1.30pm – Lunch, posters, sponsors (Basement Foyer & Floor 1, Moonscape)

(1pm – 1.30pm – Quick steps/stretches outdoor walk to park)

1.30pm - Parallel sessions – Partnership building workshops focussing on Innovation Challenges (IC)

		Theme	Theme	Theme
Time	1.30pm – 2.15pm	IC1: Unlocking nature's potential Chair: Champion	IC2: Protein discovery Chair: Champion	IC3: Structuring for functional and nutritional benefits Chair: Champion
Room		Seminar room 1, Ground Floor	Seminar room 2, Ground Floor	Seminar room 3, Ground Floor
BREAK – 2.15pm – 2.35pm				

Time	2.35pm – 3.20pm	IC4: Enabling sustainable bioprocessing at scale Chair: Champion	IC5: New metrics and standards for product quality and environment Chair: Champion	IC6: Acceptability and accessibility Chair: Champion
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3.30pm – 3.50pm– From Partner Workshop to Proposal (LT1, Basement)

Nik Watson, NAPIC Deputy Director and Industry Champion, University of Leeds

3.50pm - 4pm - Vote of thanks (LT1, Basement)

Guy Poppy, Pro Vice-Chancellor for Research & Innovation, University of Bristol