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ReDisCoveR Composites

Welcome and introduction – Enrique Garcia, CTO, the National Composites Centre

12th November 2019



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The High Value Manufacturing Catapult





Large Transformational Projects (LTPs)





Centre collaboration

Building a community

Typically a year in length ReDisCoveR began in April 2019

Today's presenters



<u>Welcome:</u> Enrique Garcia

Introduction and chair: Graeme Cruickshank

Setting the scene: Malcolm Hannaby Nick Cooper

Workshop introductions: Lucy Eggleston



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What to expect



- Today's agenda
- Introduction to ReDisCoveR
- The largest value opportunities, as perceived by industry
- ReDisCoveR Composites network
- The next steps
- How the sessions will work

Today's agenda



8:45-9:00 – Arrival and coffees

9:00-9:45 – Welcome and introduction, setting the scene

BREAK

10:00-11:00 – Recycling workshop

BREAK

11:15-12:15 – Circular Materials workshop

LUNCH

13:15-14:15 – Reuse workshop

BREAK

14:30-15:30 – Disassembly workshop 15:30 – Summary and close



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ReDisCoveR



The aim of ReDisCoveR is to transform the UK's world leading composites end-of-life academic and commercial capabilities into a fully functioning and interconnected supply chain



Largest perceived value opportunities





Who's involved





Next steps



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Funding





The sessions



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EPSRC – funding landscape

ReDisCoveR event, 12 November 2019 Nick Cooper, Senior Portfolio Manager

UKRI Structure



EPSRC vision

- To make the UK recognised as the place where the most creative researchers can deliver **world-leading engineering and physical sciences research**
- To work within the research ecosystem of UKRI, the R&D base within business, SMEs, government departments, charitable organisations and international partnerships to identify and tackle new research challenges and deliver societal and economic impact from our research base
- To build on our strong working partnerships with business to play a leading role within UKRI, particularly working in partnership with IUK, in delivering economic prosperity to the UK (and hence the government's target of 2.4% of GDP invested in R&D by 2027)

An intelligent investor



EPSRC Delivery Plan

The overarching objectives:

- 1. Delivering economic impact and social prosperity
- 2. Realising the potential of engineering and physical sciences research
- 3. Enabling the UK engineering and physical sciences landscape to deliver

The second objective focuses on stimulating and challenging the research community to open up new areas of science, engineering and technology, and will promote excellence, accelerate impact and provide new ways of working with business to deliver the 2.4% target

The Delivery Plan proposed the formation of a science, engineering and technology board into the EPSRC Governance and Advisory Board Structure, evolving from the 'Big Ideas' initiative.

The proposed board will enable greater transparency and engagement with academic and user communities.



Priority Framework

Delivering economic impact and social prosperity



Putting the Delivery Plan in Context

National Productivity Investment Fund (NPIF)

- Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund (ISCF)
- Strategic Priorities Fund (SPF)
- Talent & Skills
- Strength in Places Fund (SIPF)
- Fund for International Collaboration (FIC)

UKRI cross-cutting themes

- EPSRC with Innovate UK and Research England: Commercialisation of University Research
- MRC: Future Leaders Fellowships
- ESRC: Equality, Diversity & Inclusion
- **STFC**: Infrastructure (Infrastructure Roadmap)
- NERC: Grants Funding Service
- Innovate UK: ISCF (NPIF)
- AHRC: International

Global Challenges Research Fund (part of the UK's Official Development Assistance (ODA))

UKRI Landscape of Activity: Manufacturing



UKRI Interdisciplinary Circular Economy programme

- This £30m UKRI programme (developed by AHRC, BBSRC, EPSRC, ESRC, NERC and Innovate UK, with DEFRA and BEIS) will build an interdisciplinary circular economy research and innovation community that will provide the underpinning research understanding to enable the transition to a more circular economy.
- This will support policymakers and industry with frameworks to make more effective evidence-based decisions, and develop clear implementation pathways.
- The programme will also accelerate innovative solutions needed to enable change, and support strong national leadership and coordination facilitating cross-sector stakeholder engagement.

Background

The programme has three key objectives, to:

- Accelerate understanding and solutions to enable circularity of specific resource flows (including related waste streams and uses, and within sector contexts)
- Provide national leadership, coordinate and drive knowledge exchange across the programme as a whole and with policy, consumer, third sector and business stakeholders
- Ensure research is embedded with stakeholders by involving businesses, policymakers, consumers and society, the third sector, and other affected groups and communities at every part of the programme – including provision of funding to enable SME involvement.

Background

The programme objectives will be progressed by £30m of funding for up to five interdisciplinary Centres and an integration Hub led by a Coordinator.



Current calls

- Up to £22.5M available (alongside £2.5M of future funding to enable small and medium enterprise involvement with Centres) to support up to five academic interdisciplinary Centres of up to 48 months, expected to be from October 2020.
 - Outline closing date: 16.00 05 December 2019
 - Full proposals due 21 April 2020
- Up to £150,000 for one grant of up to 11 months, leading to a second stage with a single proposal submission for an Interdisciplinary Circular Economy Hub, with up to £3.3m available for up to 43 months expected to start January 2021.
 - Coordinator will be announced in (estimated) February 2020

Opportunities for industry engagement

- Engaging with any existing academic contacts
 - If you don't identify applicants, details of successful outline proposals will be announced in late January 2020
- Attendance at community building workshops in February and March 2020
 - Opportunities to network with and shape Centre proposals
- Engagement with Centres and Hub when launched (Oct 2020; Jan 2021)
- Future CR&D competitions from Innovate UK, linked to the five Centres
 - Estimated to launch autumn 2020 up to £2.5m of UKRI funding available



Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council

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IUK Funding Landscape

Malcolm Hannaby Innovation Lead Manufacturing & Materials

Benefiting everyone through knowledge, talent and ideas.

UK Research and Innovation brings together the 7 Research Councils, Innovate UK and Research England.

As part of UK Research and Innovation, Innovate UK drives productivity and economic growth by supporting businesses to develop and realise the potential of new ideas including those from the UK's world-class research base.





Investment of Industry match funding taking **£2.5bn** the total value of projects above since 2007 **£4.3bn** We've funded around 8,500 9 jobs 70,000 11,000 unique projects organisations involved O.... involved

5 foundations of The Industrial Strategy



The Industrial Strategy is driving productivity and earning power across the country by focusing on the 5 foundations of productivity that support a vision for a transformed economy.











Ideas

The world's most innovative economy

People

Good jobs and greater earning power for all

Infrastructure

A major upgrade to UK's infrastructure

Business environment

The best place to start and grow a business

Places

Prosperous communities across the UK



ISCF Wave 3 challenges





Ageing society

Accelerating Detection of Disease (up to £79m)



AI and data economy

Manufacturing Made Smarter (up to £147m)

Commercialising Quantum Technologies (up to £153m)

Digital Security by Design (up to £70m)



Transforming Foundation Industries (up to £66m)

Smart Sustainable Plastic Packaging (up to £60m) Industrial Decarbonisation (up to £170m)



Future of mobility

Driving the Electric Revolution (up to £78m)

Future Flight (up to £125m)



Examples of additional opportunities for Innovate UK / UKRI funding

SMART Grants

Innovation Loans

APC Programmes

ATI Programmes

e.g. National Aerospace Technology Program (NATEP)


Innovate UK Smart funding

For businesses in any sector

- enables businesses to apply for grant funding regardless of technical or industrial area of focus
- funding for the best proposals in a competitive application process
- 4 open competitions run in 2019/20, offering a total of £100 million funding

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Innovate UK

Innovation loans

A pilot programme of competitions to the end of 2020 aiming to ensure that businesses can access funding at all stages of innovation.

Up to £50 million available	Competitions for UK SMEs wanting to scale up	
Can be used for	Delivered by	
late-stage	Innovate UK	
R&D projects	Loans Ltd.	



Managed Programme: Aerospace

UK Aerospace Research & Technology Programme (UKART) £3.9 billion			
Strategic Programme	Collaborative R&D Competition Calls (CR&D)	NATEP (under UKART since 2017)	UK-Sweden EUREKA Call
Key Facts Total grant funding: up to £1.9bn Up to £150m grant/year available	Key Facts Total grant funding: up to £20m First call now up to £8m grant	Key Facts Total grant funding: up to £10m Details announced in 2019	Key Facts Total grant funding: up to £2.25m
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Portfolio to date: ATI Strategic Programme Total value so far: £2.3bn Total grant so far: £1.2bn Projects: 228 on contract Unique partners: 219 Total SMEs: 115 Average project grant: £5.2m Average partners per project: 4	Previous waves: CR&D1 (2013) & CR&D2 (2014) Total value: ~£77m Total grant: ~£43m Projects contracted: 34 Partners: 174 Total SMEs: 80	Previous waves: NATEP1 (2013)&NATEP2 (2017) Total value: £54.4m Total grant: £31m Projects contracted: 152 Partners: 368 Most of which are SMEs	First bi-lateral call

Managed Programme: Automotive



Low/Zero Emission Vehicles

Since 2007 Innovate UK and OLEV have supported mid TRL: 325 projects 490 organisations £603m project value

APC have supported high TRL: 49 projects 176 organisations £838m project value

Office for Low Emission Vehicles

Vehicle Charging

Investment in UK's capability in vehicle charging:

£30m Vehicle to Grid competition

£40m Street and Wireless competitions

Office for Low Emission Vehicles

Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy

Connected & Autonomous Vehicles

Funding to position the UK at the forefront of CAV research, development testing and use

CCAV £100m R&D funding

£28m ISCF self driving vehicles

£20m funding pre-dating CCAV

CCAV £100m testing infrastructure funding



£255m of support to projects that started in 2018



Thank you



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ReDisCoveR Composites

Workshops – Lucy Eggleston, ReDisCoveR Project Lead, the National Composites Centre 12th November 2019













Recycling – the agenda



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Recycling – the current state



The global composites market is expected to reach \$95bn by 2020, yet less than 2% of composites waste is currently recycled



Recycling – the future state



All composites will be reclaimed, without significant degradation, using low energy, high efficiency methods, and reprocessed into high value and in-demand recyclate



Recycling – the opportunities



Based directly from the industry feedback we've gained over the past four months, we have identified the following opportunities



Recycling – the projects





Recycling of Consumables and Tooling



Matrix Reclamation



Innovative Reclamation Technologies



GRP Recycling

Applications for Recyclate



Reprocessing of Reclaimed Fibres



GRP Recycling



Investigate and develop glass fibre reinforced polymer (GRP) composite recycling technologies that are able to reclaim greater value fibres from GRP waste than is currently commercially available

Background

Currently only approximately 2% of glass is recycled. Commercial routes are limited to grinding or co-processing in cement kilns. These techniques limit potential end applications and drastically reduce the value of the recyclate. Other composite recycling routes, such as pyrolysis, significantly degrade the glass fibre properties to the point where they are no longer of use, and are often thought to be of little or no economic value.

Milestones Future state In the future, there will be economically viable and effective methods for recycling GRP composites that reclaim higher value recyclate than is currently commercially attainable. There will be a robust and cohesive supply chain in place, providing **Technology or Capability Gaps** industry with an alternative end of life route to landfill or grinding. Glass recyclate will be high quality, valuable, and have a plethora of potential applications and willing end users. Your Involvement

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Circular Materials – the current state



The majority of composite materials are petroleum derived, virgin materials that are not currently manufactured to align with the principles of a circular economy



Circular Materials – the future state



All composite materials will be circular. Non-virgin and non-petroleum-derived, cost competitive alternatives will be used at every opportunity, and manufacture will be low toxicity and low energy



Circular Materials – the opportunities



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Circular Materials – the projects





Alternative Carbon Fibre Precursors

Smart Composite Materials



Reversible Resins



Supply Chain for Bio-based Composites Validation of Circular Materials



Circularity of Thermoplastic

Composites



Reversible Resins

Develop cost effective and scalable manufacturing process for reversible resins that facilitate easier reclamation and recycling at end of life

Milestones Background Future state Although thermoplastic matrix composites In the future, there will be a range of can be ground, melted, or reformed, reversible matrices commercially available thermosets are not easily reversed once that facilitate reclamation at end of life. cured. Current commercial composite These will be standardised, verified, and well reclamation methods in the UK are almost understood. These chemistries will not only entirely focused on the fibres and require an make it possible to gain value from end of life **Technology or Capability Gaps** additional, external process. Work to develop resins, but also enable easier reclamation of alternative reversible resin chemistries with fibres without additional and often high the inherent ability to facilitate both energy processes. End of life composites will reinforcement and matrix reclamation at end be fully recyclable into high value and usable of life is very limited. recyclate. Your Involvement

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Reuse – the current state



Composite structures are designed with predetermined life spans, however decommissioning and end of life at this set point often occurs for reasons outside of insufficient structural integrity



Reuse – the future state



All composite components will be design to facilitate life extensions and secondary functions. Parts will be monitored throughout their lives, and validation for recertification will be commonplace



Reuse – the opportunities



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Circular Materials – the projects





Sensor Technologies

Collaborative Design for Reuse End of Life Recertification



Advanced NDT



Investigate the application of composite non-destructive testing (NDT) techniques in novel or extreme environments

Milestones Background Future state Composite NDT techniques are well In the future, pre-existing NDT techniques understood, however they are will be deployed in end of life applications predominantly performed by hand and in and used to extend life and recertify controlled environments. NDT is primarily components. Methods will be automated. used to detect manufacturing defects, and is leading to faster, more repeatable, and lower rarely used to recertify or extend the lifespan cost operation. The application of remote **Technology or Capability Gaps** of parts thought to be at their end of life. inspection will have eliminated both Remote and automated methods have the structure down-time and the negative health potential to enable the ability to monitor and safety implications of in-situ inspection. structures that are difficult or dangerous to access. Your Involvement

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Disassembly – the current state



Current disassembly techniques are often either manual and therefore high cost (e.g. aircraft disassembly), or crude and therefore produce low value recyclate (e.g. vehicle shredding)



Disassembly – the future state



Disassembly and materials characterisation will be automated, rapid, and accurate. All structures will be designed with disassembly and end of life in mind



Disassembly – the opportunities



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Recycling – the projects





Disassembly for Repair



Design for Disassembly

Disassembly with Industry

4.0



Reversible Joints



Materials Passport



Automated Disassembly and Materials Characterisation



Design for Disassembly



Investigate, develop, and demonstrate design toolsets focused specifically on design for disassembly

Milestones Background Future state In the future, designing for disassembly will At current, performance and function are at the forefront of the majority of requirements be as common as design for manufacture. for new products. There is rarely any There will be widely available toolsets and consideration for how the product will well understood techniques to aid with this. behave at end of life. In general, disassembly and designing for disassembly will be a skill strategies are devised when they are needed that is taught, learnt, and practiced. As a **Technology or Capability Gaps** in order to solve an existing problem, and not result, disassembly of products and predetermined to prevent a future problem, structures will be effective, efficient, and low this can result in avoidable issues. cost. Your Involvement

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