

UPDATES

Official Launch of CAMS

In March, the Executive Board and Industry Advisory Board for CAMS “The Community for Analytical Measurement Science” were launched. At these meetings, co-funding to support new postdoctoral fellowships and lectureships were agreed (more detail below). The Measurement Science Research Institute will launch in April and the formal public launch of CAMS will happen on the 27th June at RSC Burlington House. Details and how to register will appear on the CAMS website <https://cams-uk.co.uk/>.

CAMS Key Activities:



Bringing the analytical community together



Providing world-class analytical training



Facilitating innovation industry-led research

Since our last update on CAMS, we have been very busy engaging with the Analytical Measurement Science community below are some key highlights:

- Sixteen companies (industry and instrument companies) have confirmed or are in the process of signing up as CAMS members.
- At the CAMS Executive Board and Industry Advisory Board inaugural meetings on the 27th March at RSC Burlington House, Dr Mark Seymour (Syngenta) was elected Chair of the Industry Advisory Board and Prof. Melissa Hanna-Brown elected as Chair of the Executive Board.
- The recent call for CAMS/ACTF Lectureships and Post Docs attracted 26 applications from some 20 Universities in the UK and Ireland, with many of the Universities offering strong support packages for the applied co-funded positions. The CAMS Executive approved (on the recommendation of the Industry Advisory Board) the awards of four Lectureships and three Post-Doctoral positions.
- The first meeting of the MSI (Measurement Science Institute) - comprising of the Universities who have joined CAMS will meet on the 29th April – and will include representatives from 10 Universities across the UK and Ireland. At this meeting, election of a chair, widening membership participation to as many Universities as possible and the process for working with industry members will be key areas of focus.
- The first of the BEIS funded Basic Skills “E learning packages” developed by Learning Science and LGC are currently being trialled ahead of launch.
- The CAMS Analytical Webinar series will start in May.
- The CAMS Website has been averaging 400 hits per month and along with the Twitter and LinkedIn portals are now publicising analytical meetings, analytical vacancies and best practice guides.

Members of the Analytical Community are most welcome to contact CAMS with details of any analytical events that need publicity. In addition, CAMS are open to welcoming contributions of training or best practice guides or webinar material.

Individuals or organisations interested in CAMS membership should please contact the secretariat at secretariat@cams-uk.co.uk