



To: All Hothouse Invitees

From: Professor Gerard Parr, PI of EPSRC UK-India Future Networks Initiative (UKI-FNI)

Status: **Call for Participation of PhD Students**

Please join us at the **UKI-FNI Hothouse in Future Networks event**

12th-13th June 2023

9:00a.m.-2:00p.m. UK Time each day

Project web-site:- <https://www.ukifni.org/>

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We need your help at this upcoming [Hothouse](#) where we are looking to highlight and address the key technical, engineering, regulatory and business challenges around Future Networks- OpenRAN and Diversification. We want to identify and invite PhD Students who are working in the area of Future Networks- going beyond 5G and the integration of optical, wireless and satellite networks in the provision of future scalable and secure digital services and applications.

This 2-day event will be held in the dedicated Hothouse facility in Adastral Park, Suffolk, IP5 3RE.

At this Hothouse we will be bringing everyone together into one place to help understand the various challenges and opportunities and share ideas that can contribute to the UK Roadmap for Future Communications Networks. We have a limit of 50 places at the event, so we welcome early registration of you intention to attend on a first-come-first-served basis. The event is being championed by our EPSRC UKI-FNI Project Team and I am looking forward to seeing what we can all do together.

The purpose of a Hothouse is to bring everyone into one space, hear from keynote speakers in the domain of Future Networks and to receive 'challenge topics' that will help us to really

understand the issues and highlight areas that need future attention. It also provides an opportunity to share outputs and thoughts from your own research with peers.

There'll be plenty of opportunities for you to participate in the discussions at breakout and roundtable session, this is why we want you to be there. You will be part of a group focussed on one part of the challenge and each team will have plenty of support to help guide you through this immersive experience.

We realise it is a big challenge on your diary, but please clear anything you can from your diary so you can be with us. If you really can't make it, please let me know who would be a suitable alternative – but as I said we would really like you to be with us.

How do I confirm I can attend the event?

Participation at this event is free and you will be provided with meals and refreshments at the venue. **Please respond to Prof Gerard Parr – g.parr@uea.ac.uk by Friday 21st April 2023** to let us know you can attend and if you have any special dietary requirements. We will then send you further event schedule and attendance information prior to the event.

And if you have a question, please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank you in advance for your interest.

Professor Gerard Parr- PI EPSRC UK-India Future Networks Initiative

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[Aastral Park](#)

For more information on Hothouses please contact the Hothouse team [Adam Oliver](#) and [Tom Keenes](#)