

## SUMMARY NOTE of the UK National Quantum Technologies Programme Strategic Advisory Board Meeting

**18 January 2016, Medical Research Council, London.**

Members Present:

### Strategic Advisory Board (SAB) Members

Dr. John Bagshaw	Independent
Dr. Trevor Cross	e2v
Professor Dave Delpy (Chair)	Independent
Professor Peter Dobson	University of Warwick
Professor Sir Peter Knight	NPL
Mr. Roger McKinlay	Independent
Baroness Pauline Neville-Jones	EPSRC Council
Dr. Neil Stansfield*	Dstl
Professor Ian Walmsley*	University of Oxford

### Programme Operations Group Members & Programme Partner Organisation Representatives

Dr. Liam Blackwell	EPSRC
Ms. Wendy Carr*	EPSRC
Ms. Tanya Gurung	BIS
Dr. Richard Gunn	EPSRC
Dr. Neil Viner	EPSRC

### Apologies

Dr. Simon Bennett	Innovate UK
Mr. Mark Hughes	BT Security
Professor Gerard Milburn	University of Queensland
Dr. Richard Murray	Innovate UK

\*Joined the meeting by telephone.

**NOTE:** The Strategic Advisory Board agreed that further details of discussions under item (2) are to be used for the purpose of policy and strategy development and should therefore be exempt from public scrutiny, in accordance with section 36 (conduct of public affairs) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

## 1. Comprehensive Spending Review Outcomes

- 1.1 The Chair invited representatives of BIS, Dstl, EPSRC and Innovate UK to update SAB members on the outcome of the government's comprehensive spending review and Autumn statement 2015 from the perspective of their respective agencies.
- 1.2 Following a brief round-table update, the SAB agreed to postpone this discussion until its meeting on 16 March 2016, when it is anticipated that further details of the budgetary settlements for individual agencies will be known.

## 2. International Engagement

- 2.1 The Chair invited Peter Knight to update the SAB on the outcome of the initial meeting of an international engagement working group (comprising SAB and POG members, and representatives of other government departments), which was held on 5 January 2016.
- 2.2 Topics covered during the update included: the provision of briefing material for the Science and Innovation Network (SIN), engagement with the European Commission, the development of a framework for international engagement, and the provision of guidance on export control legislation.

### **3. Objectives for the 2016 Quantum Technologies Showcase Event**

- 3.1 The Chair invited SAB members to discuss the key strategic objectives for the Quantum Technologies Showcase event scheduled for November 2016. The discussion was wide-ranging and included feedback from the 2015 event, the nature of the intended audience, the date and venue, and the nature of the demonstrators that should be exhibited at the event.
- 3.2 The SAB agreed that the Showcase event was an important opportunity to engage with the Programme's key stakeholders, and that it should primarily be a forum to demonstrate technologies developed through the Programme's investments.
- 3.3 The SAB requested some further details from the event organisers in advance of the SAB meeting on 16 March 2016, to enable a more in-depth discussion on some of the issues that were raised.

### **4. Any Other Business**

- 4.1 The SAB were provided with an update on the results of recent EPSRC funding competitions, and an upcoming meeting on standards development. The next SAB meeting will be held on 16 March 2016.

Richard Gunn  
25 January 2016