

6th September 2022 10.00 – 12:00

In person meeting – Apex House, Edinburgh

Attendees

Ivan McKee (IMcK)	Co-Chair, Minister for Business, Trade, Tourism & Enterprise
Maree Todd (MT)	Minister for Public Health, Woman’s Health and Sport
Dame Anna Dominiczak	Chief Scientist

Mark Cook (MC)	Medtronic, Industry Co-Chair
Gary Whyte (GW)	IQVIA
David Bunton (DB)	Reprocell
John Mackenzie (JMac)	We are Pioneer Group
John McNeill (JMcN)	MSD
Giles Hamilton (GH)	ODx Innovations Ltd
George Crooks (GC)	DHI
Helen Reilly (HR)	ABPI on behalf of Alison Culpan
Peter Ellingworth (PE)	ABHI
Andrew Howie (AH)	Scottish Enterprise
Alix Mackay (AM)	The Life Sciences Marketing Academy
Julie Brittenden (JBrit)	NRS/ University of Glasgow
Tom Steele (TS)	Innovation Steering Group
Elaine Jamieson (EJ)	Highlands & Islands Enterprise
Arelette Halavage (AH)	GSK

Observing

Amanda Dutton (AD)	Scottish Government
Sharon Donnelly (SD)	Scottish Government
Susan Sewell (SS)	Scottish Enterprise
Euan Dick (ED)	CSO
Alison Dun (AD)	SULSA

Apologies

Colin MacKay (CMK)	Symbiosis
Peter Mathieson (PM)	Universities Scotland
Alison McIntosh (AM)	SULSA
Alison Culpan (AC)	ABPI

Life Sciences Scotland Industry Leadership Group
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Boardroom, Apex House, 99 Haymarket Terrace, Edinburgh

Agenda

1	Welcome, Introductions, Adoption of May meeting note <i>Reminder of teleconf etiquette</i> <i>Reminder of Chatham House Rule</i>	Mark Cook Industry Chair
2	Ministers' updates	Ivan McKee Maree Todd
3	Export Plan update Internationalisation subgroup members	David Bunton John McNeill
4	New Chief Scientist role and vision for SHIP	Dame Anna Dominiczak
5	Strategy Refresh update	Mark Cook Gary Whyte
6	Data and Digital update – CAR-T	George Crooks Fiona Hamill
7	AOB	

Dates of next meeting: 2 November 2022 10.00 – 12.00 Venue TBC

ACTIONS

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	LEAD	DEADLINE
2.	Ministers Updates		
2.1	ILG members to report back to the international group with comments	All to David & John	30.09.22
2.2	Specifically on actions 7 & 8 Alex Dalrymple to connect with Giles Hamilton.	Giles & Alex Dalrymple	30.09.22
4.	Chief Scientist, Health Update		
4.1	ILG members to advise on industry membership suggestions for the Industry Partnership Group.	All to Gary	31.10.22
4.2	Demand Signalling Plan to be shared with Ministers	CSO to SG	30.09.22
5.	Strategy Refresh		
5.1	ILG members asked to consider the proposed refresh and advise on any critical wider strategic policies and objectives that should be included).	All to Mark	30.09.22
5.2	Updates on the progress of the Innovation Strategy to be provided to ILG co-chair and Deputy co-chair.	SG to Mark & Gary	31.10.22
7	AOB		
7.1	ILG members asked to consider the proposal in the Secretariat paper and provide feedback to the Governance Group.	All to Gary	30.09.22

Meeting Note

Introductions

1. Industry co-chair invited a roundtable introduction by the group. The minutes of previous meeting approved. Update on new members in the Governance (Gary White) and Healthtech Groups (Eleanor Charsley).

Ministerial Updates

2. **Minister for Business, Trade, Enterprise & Tourism** attended a number of events and business engagements with life sciences organisations discussing topics including challenges faced by spin outs. Importantly met with a number of companies in wider life sciences such as AAA.
3. Referenced the importance of the international strategies and forthcoming publication of the sector export plan, parliamentary debates will take place next week for Scotland's Inward Investment Plan and A trading Nation. The Innovation Strategy will be published in the coming months.
4. Acknowledged the challenges of rising energy costs and cost of living crisis, the latest Programme for Government will be published this week with a clear focus on the support for businesses at this difficult time.
5. **Minister for Public Health, Women's Health & Sport** updated on her portfolio interests and welcomed the appointment and membership of Professor Dame Anna Dominiczak as Chief Scientist, Health.
6. Reiterated the challenges the NHS faces and the benefits of the uptake of technology and the continuation of the triple helix approach which links to the launch of the Accelerated National Innovation Adoption [ANIA] Pathway in June to ensure a one for Scotland approach to the identification, assessment and accelerated adoption of innovative technologies.
7. ANIA will be supported by a new Innovation Design Authority, co-chaired by CSO and Tom Steele. It will provide system leadership and co-ordination, approve ANIA stage gates and the progression of innovations through them.
8. The public consultation for the Data Strategy closed, responses now being considered, acknowledged the input from the group and encouraged the ILG to continue working with Scottish Government officials.
9. The Precision Medicine seedcorn funding grant is open until 23 September, details on PMS-IC website. To note, SHIL (Scottish Health Innovations Ltd) now rebranded as InnoScot.
10. Updates from Scottish Health and Industry Partnership include launched Open Innovation competitions aligned to priorities in the Demand Signalling Plan, launch of the NHS Scotland Innovation Fellowship Programme and engagement with Scottish stakeholders has been organised to discuss the introduction of advanced Therapies (ATMPs) across Scotland.

Life Sciences Sector Export Plan

11. The eight-month exercise was outlined, some 150-200 individuals consulted including GlobalScot network. The key findings were outlined as four emerging themes of supporting companies, market prioritisation, accessing key skills and specialist advice and increasing connections including peer to peer knowledge sharing.
12. The Group agreed the research was robust and inclusive and consideration should be given to areas out with the scope of the SEP such as key skills in marketing and sales to new markets. Various considerations as vehicles to support this work.
13. AdvaMed is a key event for Med Tech in the US.

ACTIONS:

- ILG members to report back to the international group with comments
- Specifically on actions 7 & 8 Alex Dalrymple to connect with Giles Hamilton.

Chief Scientist, Health Update

14. Discussion focussed on post covid priorities and test bed infrastructure and the importance of the triple helix approach as well as Demand Signalling Priorities.
15. The Innovation Development Agency reports to the Care and Wellbeing Portfolio Board and works with the CfSD and ANIA.
16. Acknowledgement of strong political and management support for this approach.
17. The learnings from industry uptake of digital transformation should be considered and the need to increase the complexity of the existing innovation ecosystem.

ACTIONS:

- ILG members to advise on industry membership suggestions for the Industry Partnership Group.
- Demand Signalling Plan to be shared with Ministers

Strategy Refresh

18. Proposed themes and groups outlined to the group. Noted that Precision Medicine should be a stand-alone priority and Scottish Enterprise gap analysis on the sector will provide further insight. The definition should be revisited as outdated and should include wider areas such as medical devices and others.
19. The timeline is ambitious with the aim of having a final draft approved by November to possibly announce at the Scotsman Life Sciences Conference in November, timing with the sector export plan.

ACTIONS:

- ILG members asked to consider the proposed refresh and advise on any critical wider strategic policies and objectives that should be included).
- Updates on the progress of the Innovation Strategy to be provided to ILG co-chair and Deputy co-chair.

CAR-T/Digital Subgroup

20. The Digital Group have been working with Research Data Scotland met with SG officials.
21. There is a single CAR-T centre in Scotland with a small patient group. The CAR-T project was investigated and analysed as a suggested exemplar approach to the use of data.
22. Accessibility and the use of data remains the main challenges, the subgroup CAR-T paper outlines three options and a recommendation following the evidence gathered from the CAR-T project.
23. This is not about producing a new platform but linking with existing structures and aligns with the SG data strategy, there is now representation from SG on the subgroup.

AOB

24. New Governance member include Dr Alison McIntosh, SULSA, and Alison Culpan, ABPI Scotland, other members include Andrew Howie, SE, Mark Cook, Gary White and David Bunton.
25. A proposal on future secretariat provision has been circulated.

ACTION:

- ILG members asked to consider the proposal in the Secretariat paper and provide feedback to the Governance Group.

Date of next meeting: Wednesday 2 November, 10.00 – 12.00pm, Venue TBC