



SOUTHERN SU CONFERENCE

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TUESDAY 11TH FEBRUARY

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
9.30 - 10.15	BREAKFAST	THE HIVE
10.15 - 10.55	WELCOME TALK	THE LCR
SESSION 1 11.00 - 12:00	BEYOND WELCOME WEEK	THE LCR
	CEO NETWORKING	BR 2
	EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE DISCUSSION	BR 1
	DEMOCRACY REVIEW & WHY SUs NEED TO CHANGE	BR 6
12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH	ZEST
SESSION 2 13:15 - 14:15	FULL TIME OFFICER NETWORKING	THE LCR
	GRIEVANCES & COMPLAINTS WITHIN CLUBS & SOCIETIES	BR 1
	WOMEN IN MUSIC & EVENTS - BREAKING BARRIERS	BR 6
SESSION 3 14:15 - 15:10	EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS & WHAT TO KNOW NOW	BR 6
	FROM VOICE TO ACTION	THE LCR
	MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS - SELF-CARE FOR FTOs	BR 1
15:10 - 15:30	BREAK	
SESSION 4 15:30 - 16:30	IT'S HARD OUT THERE - TALES, TIPS & TAKEAWAYS	THE LCR
18:00 -	DINNER & ENTERTAINMENT	VISTA

WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

TIME	SESSION	ROOM
9.15 - 10.00	BREAKFAST	THE HIVE
SESSION 5 10.00 - 11:00	HERTS UNFILTERED	BR 6
	MEMPLUS - A DIGITAL PLATFORM CREATED FOR SUs	BR 1
	FTO WORKSHOP - A MID-YEAR REVIEW	THE LCR
SESSION 6 11.00 - 12:00	DEVELOPMENT MONTH - A STAFF INITIATIVE	THE LCR
	VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN & GIRLS	BR 6
	CEO & COOLE INSIGHT SHOWCASE	BR 1
	WE REGRET TO INFORM YOU...	BR 2
12:00 - 13:00	LUNCH	THE LCR
SESSION 7 13:00 - 13:45	THE FUTURE WITH WONKHE	THE LCR
13:45 - 14:00	CLOSING REMARKS	THE LCR

SESSION 1 11:00 - 12:00

BEYOND WELCOME WEEK: Insights on a term-long student engagement program to foster integration and connections. (Victoria Jackson, Student Events Manager, UEASU)

CEO NETWORKING: A casual networking opportunity for CEOs in the SU sector. (Jumara Stone, Chief Exec, UEASU)

EFFECTIVE GOVERNANCE DISCUSSION: Best practices and ideas for enhancing SU governance. (Josh Harris, Director of Operations and Governance, Bournemouth University SU)

DEMOCRACY REVIEW: Why SUs need structural change to address diverse student needs. (Chris Kershaw, Campaigns and Democracy Officer, UEASU)

SESSION 2 13:15 - 14:15

FULL-TIME OFFICER NETWORKING: Collaborative discussions on manifesto challenges and campaigning strategies. (Olivia Hunt, Activities and Opportunities Officer, UEASU)

GRIEVANCES AND COMPLAINTS: Addressing increasing complaints in clubs and societies through shared strategies. (Brendan McCarthy, Director of Membership Services, University of Portsmouth SU)

WOMEN IN MUSIC AND EVENTS: Breaking barriers to advance gender equality in the live music industry. (Diana Piccirillo, Programme and Box Office Coordinator, and Laura Flockhart, Facilities and Tech Coordinator, UEASU)

SESSION 3 14:15 - 15:10

EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS: Key updates on the Employment Rights Bill and strategies for risk management. (Sam Greenhalgh, Employment Team Lawyer and Partner, Birketts LLP)

FROM VOICE TO ACTION: How SUBU co-created a strategy to combat student loneliness. (Mira Koseva, Director of Strategy and Development, and Jane De Vekey, Head of Student Voice and Policy, Bournemouth University SU)

MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS: Self-care strategies for full-time officers under high demands. (Rachael Morrison and Richard Graham, Wellbeing Trainers, UEA Wellbeing Team)

SESSION 4 15:30 - 16:30

IT'S HARD OUT THERE: A Q&A with women CEOs on challenges, allies, and tips for success. (Jumara Stone, Anna Clodfelter, Laura Greenwood-Pearsons, Rebecca Gendreau Hobbs, Various)

ENTERTAINMENT

DOROTHY'S: Glitterbomb Warm-up (19:30 - Close)

BLUE BAR: Karaoke (20:00 - Close)

THE LCR: Glitterbomb Masquerade Party (22:30 - 02:30)

THE HIVE: Tote Bag Painting (18:00 - 21:00)

SESSION 5 10:00 - 11:00

HERTS UNFILTERED: Lessons from Hertfordshire SU's extensive student listening project. (Faith Goligher, Advice and Insight Manager, and Arub Abbas, Assistant Insight Manager, Hertfordshire SU)

MEMPLUS PLATFORM: An SU-built digital tool revolutionizing member engagement and services. (Ket Strang, Senior Business Operations Manager, and Casey Gates, Sales, Partnerships, and Events Specialist, Portsmouth SU)

FTO WORKSHOP: Mid-year reflection and planning for impactful officer work. (Steve Coole, Founder and Director, Coole Insight)

SESSION 6 11:00 - 12:00

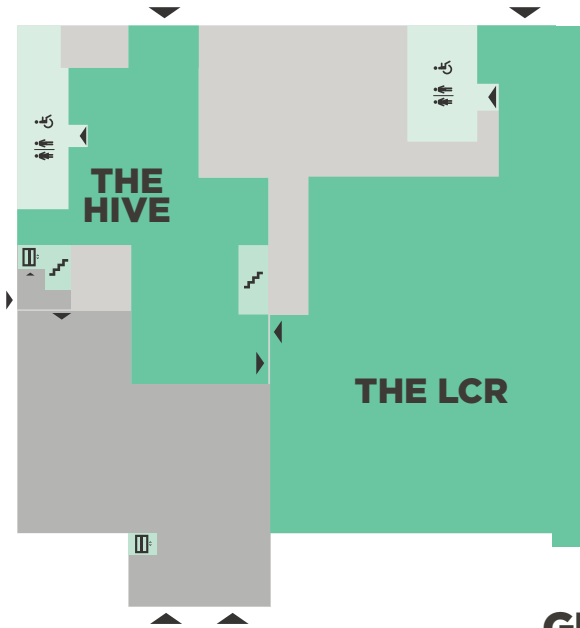
DEVELOPMENT MONTH: Herts SU's initiative for fostering staff growth and continuous learning. (Libby Freeman, Training and Development Manager, Hertfordshire SU)

VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS: Tackling misogyny and sexism in partnership with UEA. (Kathryn Redfern, Head of Advice and Welfare, and Laura Watkins, Change the Culture Programme Coordinator, UEASU)

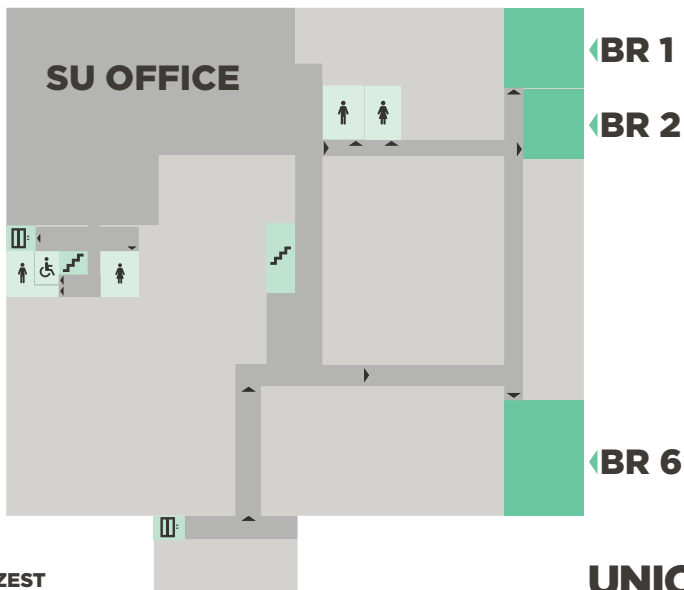
POST-MORTEM OF 2026: Examining the failures that led to student welfare and retention crises. (Mark McCormack, Chief Exec, Beds SU)

SESSION 7 15:00 - 15:45

THE FUTURE WITH WONKHE: Key insights into higher education's future landscape. (Jim Dickinson, WONKHE)



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