

## THE HENLEY FORUM

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### The Henley Forum – members' newsletter, September 2018

Dear Henley Forum partner

Your Henley Forum team have been rather busy this summer. Sharon has been putting the finishing touches to our **Autumn/Winter Programme** and securing some great speakers for our **Annual Conference**. Book NOW to reserve your places.

We've also been doing a lot of work behind the scenes. Christine has been leading a project to upgrade our **Members' Website**, so it's easier to find and download all the great resources that you can access as Henley Forum members. Marina has been updating our external website, and we've been re-branding just about everything! Join us in September to see the **new look** of The Henley Forum.

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#### **27 September – Absorbing complex change**

In a changing working world, organisations and individuals must enhance their capacity to absorb and integrate change from multiple sources simultaneously. And to cope with the complexity that goes with it. But how can we do that in practice?

We have a fantastic line up of sessions to help you explore this key topic:

- **Katherine Woods & Sarah Perry** from Meeting Magic will consider how conversations can be a sophisticated means of dealing with complex change
- **Paul Skinner** will consider how collaboration beats competition as a strategy for success in change
- **Helen Gillman** from IFAD will share how a theory of change enabled the development of a successful Knowledge Management strategy
- **Benjamin Taylor** from RedQuadrant will take you on an interactive journey through 'five worlds' in transformation: from complexity to meaning making

- **Sharon Varney** and **Christine van Winkelen** will be unveiling the new look Henley Forum and your upgraded Members' website.

The draft agenda is attached. [Book now](#)

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#### **Have your say - The Henley Forum Listening Project**

We're looking at how knowledge, learning and change practice might develop over the next 10 years. And we want to hear from everyone in the Henley Forum community.

Please complete the attached Listening Project survey and return it to [Marina](#) by **21<sup>st</sup> September**. Thank you to everyone who has already done so.

You can also sign up for a 10 minute Listening Project conversation with another volunteer at our event on 27 September. Any questions? Just contact [Dr Sharon Varney](#).

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#### **27 November - Research Project: Building change-ready, change-capable teams**

In this joint research project, The Henley Forum's **Dr Sharon Varney** and IES' **Dr Alison Carter** will be reviewing emerging findings with the project team who have been working together since June. We'll be reporting back in March at our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference. But if you'd like to find out more before then, just contact project leader [Dr Sharon Varney](#).

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#### **28 November – Accelerating innovation**

Ideation and innovation help to fuel an organisation's dynamic capability. Our focus for this event is firmly on generating and applying knowledge to accelerate innovation.

We're looking forward to an energetic, interactive and practical day:

- You'll experience a Hackathon (no coding required!) led by **Annette Hexelschneider** and **Chris Collison** – and you'll leave with some ready-to-use hacks. The topic chosen by Henley Forum members is: *'Getting management buy-in and funding to make it easy for colleagues to share tacit knowledge'*.
- **Nancy Kinder** from Connect and Share Consulting will help you use collaboration to develop new ideas in super-quick time
- **Darryl Wing**, Director of KM at Fluor Ltd will lead our popular Members Showcase session

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#### **22-23 January – Advancing your OD practice**

**Dr Sharon Varney** and **John Hovell** are teaming up again to lead this 2-day programme in January 2019. It's an Organisation Development course with a difference – you don't have to work in OD or HR to benefit.

*Why attend?* Developing an OD mindset and skillset is fast becoming an essential capability for developing more dynamic organisations. Whatever your current OD skill level, we will help you to open up your possibility space and advance your OD practice.

*Who's it for?* Knowledge, learning and change professionals, especially leaders and managers. You don't need an OD title, or to work in HR to benefit. But you're very welcome if you do.

Every member organisation has **ONE place included** in their membership. Additional places are available at a special member's rate.

We expect this to be popular, so please [book now](#).

More info: [Advancing your OD Practice](#)

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### **06-07 March – Our 19th Henley Forum Annual Conference**

***Amplifying our Practice*** – *leading the way in knowledge, learning and change*

On the subject of our Annual Conference, it's time to put **06-07 March** in your diary. Members get TWO PLACES included in their membership. AND we throw in the Conference Dinner. (We're a generous lot here at The Henley Forum).

Visit our [Conference website](#) to stay up to date with confirmed speakers.

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### **Guest memberships**

To give potential new members a chance to experience the Henley Forum, and to increase your opportunities for networking, we have a handful of guest memberships available at our Members' events on 27 Sep and 28 Nov.

If you have friends in other organisations who'd like to discover, first hand, what The Henley Forum is all about, then please contact [Marina Hart](#). Guest memberships are strictly limited and there is a small charge to cover our costs.

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### **How to book your places**

If you'd like to get involved in any of our projects, programmes, or events, please speak to your local Henley Forum co-ordinator. If you're not sure who that is, just [email Marina](#). Marina can also help you if you have any questions.

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We look forward to seeing you at Henley sometime soon.

**From the Henley Forum team**

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