

## THF Network and Communications

This year we are pro-actively building the community aspects of your Henley Forum with THF Network. We are introducing and re-introducing certain formats to our programme with the collective purpose of facilitating:

- Informal peer learning
- Reflections and conversations
- Celebrating and sharing member stories
- THF community communications

	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	JANUARY
Peer learning			Virtual Peer Assist TBC							Virtual Peer Assist TBC
Conversational spaces	Community Coffee Wed 1 April	Community Coffee Fri 1 May	Community Coffee Mon 1 June	Community Coffee Wed 1 July	Community Coffee Mon 2 Aug	Community Coffee Tues 1 Sept	Community Coffee Thurs 1 Oct	Community Coffee Mon 2 Nov	Community Coffee Tues 1 Dec	Community Coffee Mon 4 Jan
	Knowledge Cafés @ Member Event Tues 21 April			Knowledge Cafés @ Member Event Wed 15 July				Knowledge Cafés @ Member Event Tues 24 Nov		
Community communications		Knowledge Flow		Knowledge Flow		Knowledge Flow		Knowledge Flow		Knowledge Flow
	Members' Newsletter			Members' Newsletter			Members' Newsletter			Members' Newsletter
Virtual content <i>'Reflections on the Future'</i>	Special commentary - Post		Special commentary - Post		Special commentary - Post		Special commentary - Post		Special commentary - Post	
		Continuing reflections – Podcast		Continuing reflections – Podcast		Continuing reflections – Podcast		Continuing reflections – Podcast		

If you have ideas for developing THF Network, please contact our **Henley Forum Network Lead, Dr Divyata Sohal**, for an informal conversation ([d.sohal@henley.ac.uk](mailto:d.sohal@henley.ac.uk)).

## ▪ PEER LEARNING

### Virtual Peer Assist

*Solving problems through peer-to-peer learning*

June (TBC) / Jan (TBC)

- We were delighted to re-introduce the Peer Assist, with a new virtual format, into our Members programme in 2019. People liked the format. So, we carried out an After Action Review to help us to tweak things and make the process work even better.
- What is a peer assist?
  - It starts with a request for help from an individual or group
  - A facilitated virtual meeting to surface experience/knowledge from a group of peers responding to the request for help
  - It is recorded and made available to all participants, together with any examples or resources offered during the meeting
  - Always a positive learning experience, for all parties.
- Here's what people had to say about their experience:

*'Go for it! A peer assist is a very useful structured way to learn from the experience of others in a really short intensive space of time. They are a good environment in which people feel safe – to ask questions and to say: 'I really don't know what to do about this – what do you think?'*

If have a request for help, please contact Dr Divyata Sohal, our Henley Forum Network Lead, for an informal conversation ([d.sohal@henley.ac.uk](mailto:d.sohal@henley.ac.uk)).

More detail on the Peer Assist format on your Members' website. Reserved for Henley Forum Members

## ▪ CONVERSATIONAL SPACES

### Community Coffee

*Conversational spaces for networking and peer support*

Drop-in session via Zoom, 1<sup>st</sup> of every month @ 1 pm

- This year we have introduced a Community Coffee session for Henley Forum Members and Friends. It's our response to **being social + social distancing**.
- As we continue to work from home, we expect that opportunities to connect beyond our immediate home and work circles will be limited over the next several months, so we're stepping into that breach.
- We believe it's valuable to come together in an informal way, with no fixed agenda - to say hi, to check-in with one another, ask for help, offer support, and generally be human.
- Our Members value the opportunity to interact, network and share stories of practice at our Forum events. The Community Coffee will ensure we stay connected throughout the year.

- Here's what people had to say about their experience:

*'I think it was brilliant and more focused than interacting at an event. You can have a good conversation without worrying about rushing for the next session or grabbing coffee'.*

If you'd like to join us, please send a note to Ellie: [henleyforum@henley.ac.uk](mailto:henleyforum@henley.ac.uk) and we'll send you a meeting invite.

## Knowledge Cafés

*Conversational spaces for collective reflections and deeper understanding*

Embedded in ongoing Member events

- This year, we will proactively create conversational spaces, bringing together our Members to share experiences, learn from each other and make a better sense of a rapidly changing and complex world.
- Interspersed with the regular programme, these deliberate spaces will be an opportunity to reflect, share insight and ask questions to develop a deeper understanding on the topics of the day.
- Coming up next:
  - At our next Members' event: *Tech trends changing the workplace on 21 April*, David Gurteen will run two Knowledge Cafés during the day to help us make sense of the topic of the day and to apply insights in the real world.

## ■ COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

### Knowledge Flow

*THF community communications, sharing and celebrating member stories*

Bi-monthly e-magazine

- We are excited to rejuvenate the Knowledge Flow with curated content from within the Henley Forum and external sources.
- The Knowledge Flow will be dedicated to share knowledge, insights, blogs and podcasts that our members find relevant.
- A specific section of the Knowledge Flow will focus on our past projects and events, bringing our wealth of knowledge and insights to the forefront.
- We also want to put the spotlight on members stories. A special section will be dedicated to member stories and case studies, celebrating excellence in practice.
- So, what's new about the new Knowledge Flow?
  - **THF news:** Be in the know about everything that's happening at The Henley Forum! In this section, we'll be sharing news from the Forum and updates on recent and upcoming events.

- **THF archive:** Over the last 20 years, we have co-created a wealth of knowledge and insights in collaboration with our organisational members. Here, we'll be digging into our archive and sharing past projects and resources.
- **THF spotlight:** The Henley Forum is dedicated to advancing practice. In this section, we'll be sharing stories of excellence and applied practice from our Members and Friends of Forum.
- **THF insights:** To celebrate our 20th anniversary, we recently released a souvenir booklet, showcasing our wealth of knowledge and insights as Top Tips and Questions for Reflection for the knowledgeable practitioner. In this section, we'll be sharing these along with links to previous projects.
- **THF outreach:** We are constantly on a look out for interesting articles, videos and podcasts in our field. In this section, we'll be sharing curated content from our external network.

If you have ideas for topics and content or, better still, want to be the first to share your story, please contact Dr Divyata Sohal, for an informal conversation ([d.sohal@henley.ac.uk](mailto:d.sohal@henley.ac.uk)).

You can sign up for the Knowledge Flow [here](#).

## ▪ VIRTUAL CONTENT

### Reflections on the Future

*Series of posts and podcasts from thought leaders in our field*

#### Monthly content on our social media platforms

- In our 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we are reflecting on the knowledge and insights created so far whilst looking towards the future of KM and OD practice.
- Throughout the year, we'll be sharing special insights and commentaries by notable thought leaders in the field, our Members and Friends of the Forum on how they envision the future.
- The exclusive content will be shared in the form of posts and podcasts on our social media channels as well as the Knowledge Flow.
- You can catch up on our first Reflections on the Future post by Judy Payne [here](#).

To make sure you don't miss out, follow us today on LinkedIn ([The Henley Forum](#)) and Twitter ([@HenleyForum](#)). Sign up for the Knowledge Flow [here](#).