

UKERC Engagement Statement

Purpose

UKERC's engagement statement seeks to ensure that our independent, Whole Systems energy research is visible, accessible and relevant to those shaping the UK's transition to a secure, affordable and sustainable energy system.

Engagement activity is delivered through UKERC's established mechanisms, including webinars, consultation responses, industry workshops, knowledge exchange events, cross-consortia collaboration, public-facing events and media activity.

These mechanisms enable UKERC to communicate and contribute evidence across UKERC's thematic research areas relevant to the UK energy transition, including infrastructure delivery, system flexibility and market reform, energy justice and societal impacts, and the geopolitical and international dimensions of the transition.

Aims

UKERC's engagement activity in UKERC 24-29 aims to:

- Ensure Whole Systems energy research is visible, credible and accessible to relevant stakeholders.
- Strengthen engagement with industry and business actors, alongside policy, regulatory, academic and civil society stakeholders.
- Maintain UK-wide engagement activity across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Objectives

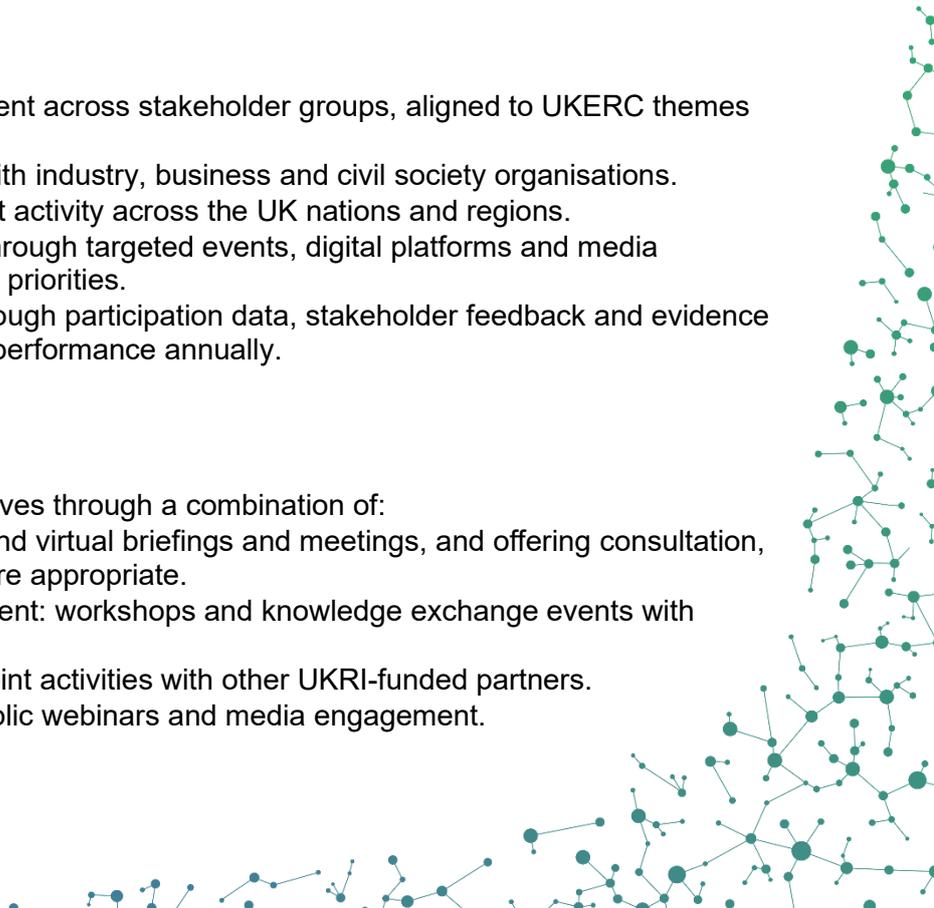
To deliver these aims, UKERC will:

- Coordinate structured engagement across stakeholder groups, aligned to UKERC themes and delivery priorities.
- Develop sustained interaction with industry, business and civil society organisations.
- Plan and document engagement activity across the UK nations and regions.
- Disseminate research outputs through targeted events, digital platforms and media engagement aligned to thematic priorities.
- Monitor engagement activity through participation data, stakeholder feedback and evidence of research uptake, and review performance annually.

Engagement Mechanisms

UKERC delivers its engagement objectives through a combination of:

- Policy engagement: in-person and virtual briefings and meetings, and offering consultation, evidence and submissions, where appropriate.
- Industry and business engagement: workshops and knowledge exchange events with relevant organisations.
- Cross-consortia collaboration: joint activities with other UKRI-funded partners.
- Public and external visibility: public webinars and media engagement.



- Devolved and Regional engagement: targeted engagement with devolved, regional and local governments, where relevant.

Review

The Engagement Statement and its delivery approach are reviewed annually to ensure continued alignment with UKERC 24 -29 research priorities and the evolving technical, socioeconomic and geopolitical context of the UK energy transition.

Engagement performance is monitored and reported annually to funders.

