Welcome to the October update for the Longitudinal Studies Review. As the Panel members are currently completing the first draft of their report, this brief update includes details on the upcoming actions for the Review, a call for input on impact and updates with regards to ESRC and UKRI.

Current Timetable

October 2017:
The Panel completed the first draft of the report and met face-to-face in London at the end of October to discuss their draft recommendations and revisions to the report.

November 2017:
The Panel Chair, Professor Pam Davis-Kean, will hold a face-to-face meeting with the Steering Group in late November to discuss the near final report.

December 2017:
Final report completed by the Panel and submitted to ESRC.

February 2018:
Consideration of the Review report and next steps.

Spring 2018:
Publication of the report.

Impact examples
Throughout the various stages of the Review, we have received a huge amount of feedback from our community for which we are very grateful, but we’d like to ask you for one more input. We want the report to make the best possible case for investment in longitudinal studies and to do this we need to make sure we have the best possible impact stories to communicate.

To help us with this, we are asking you to tell us why longitudinal survey data collection is so important. What is the most important thing we have learned—something that we would not otherwise know—or what has changed because of longitudinal data, and why does that matter?

Please download and fill in this one page template with your example (if you have more than one great example, please fill in one template for each). Please email completed forms to longitudinalstudiesreview@esrc.ac.uk by 10th November 2017.

Information dissemination
As ESRC has now collected such a wealth of valuable information on various aspects of longitudinal studies and related issues, we would like to ensure this knowledge is utilised as much as possible, and will be looking at ways to use and share this information internally and externally.

Thank You!
We would like to thank all those who have contributed to the Review thus far, especially those at Understanding Society, the Centre for Longitudinal Studies, CLOSER and UKDS for all their extra help providing information for the Panel.

ESRC Executive Chair Designate
The Science Minister Jo Johnson announced on 26th October that Professor Jennifer Rubin has been appointed Chief Executive and Executive Chair Designate of the ESRC.
Sir Harpal Kumar was announced as the Innovation Champion of UK Research and Innovation.
See the full announcements on the UKRI website.

UK Research and Innovation Board
On 28th September 2017, the 12 non-executive members of UK Research and Innovation Board were announced. See the members here.

Appointments to Council
UK Research and Innovation are now looking for new Council members, including up to 12 members for ESRC. Please see the ESRC website for person specification and steps involved.
The closing date for applications is 13th November 2017.

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