

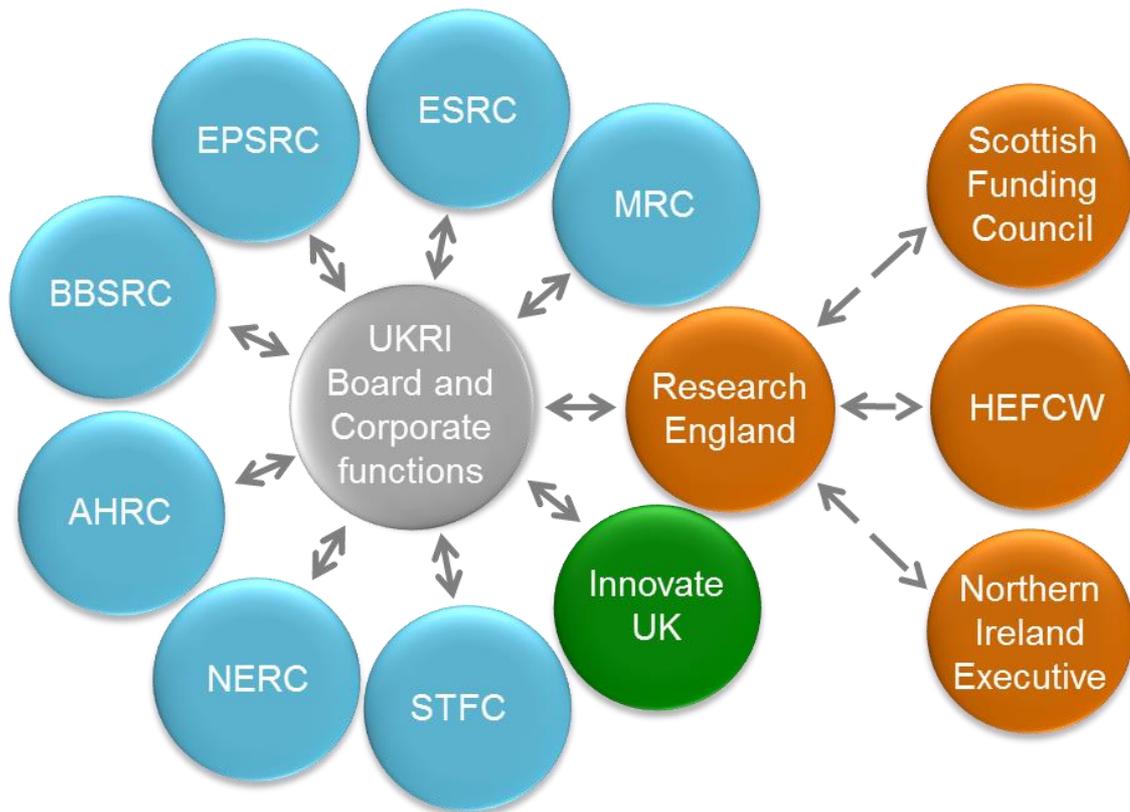
UK Research and Innovation



Introduction to UK Research and Innovation

What is UK Research and Innovation?

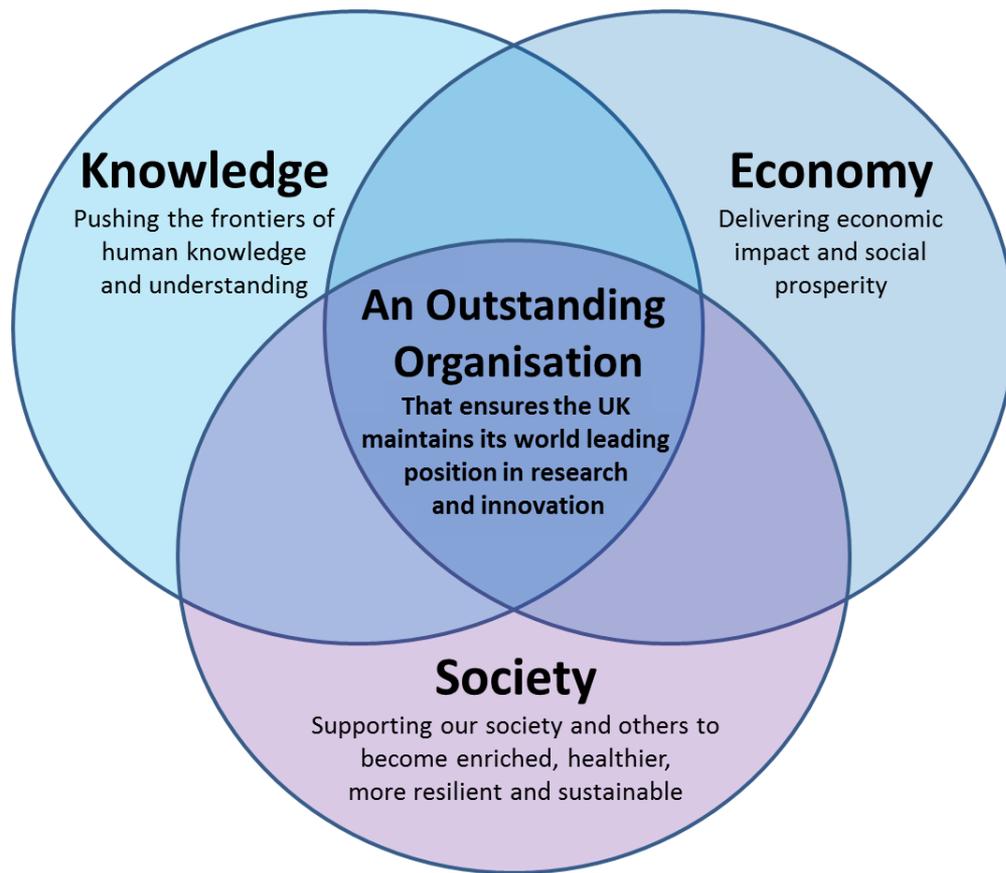
UK Research and Innovation, launching in April 2018, will be the new funding organisation for research and innovation in the UK. It brings together the seven UK research councils, Innovate UK and a new organisation, Research England, working closely with its partner organisations in the devolved administrations.



- **More than £6.5 billion** in combined budget per year
- **3,900** research and business grants issued every year
- **151** universities receiving research funding
- **38** institutes, laboratories, units, campuses and innovation catapults

Our first objective is to invest every pound of taxpayers' money wisely in a way that maximises impact for citizens, in the UK and across the world.

This will have three elements:



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Key objectives

- Be the unified voice for continued strengthening of the UK research and innovation system, nationally and internationally
- Lead on the development and delivery of a coherent national research and innovation strategy which maximises the advancement of knowledge, and economic and societal impact, based on more and better evidence and data
- Ensure better prioritisation of resources, especially for the best interdisciplinary and cross-cutting research, as well as longer term investment in research infrastructure
- Maximise the impact of Innovate UK in supporting business-led innovation
- Promote stronger commercialisation, business and policy links and wider societal engagement with publicly funded research

Key objectives

- Nurture and improve the talent pipeline for research and innovation
- Champion equality, diversity and inclusion across the research and innovation sector, and support a healthy and high-integrity culture
- Deliver a simpler, well-functioning research and innovation ecosystem which is easier to use and helps build collaborative partnerships between end-users, including universities, researchers, charities, communities, businesses, NGOs and international organisations
- Be a great place to work, which inspires, engages and learns from its people
- Deliver a step-change in administrative efficiency, including through combining corporate functions