

## **President of the Science Council**

The Science Council brings together over 40 professional bodies and learned societies across the breadth of science and its applications. The Science Council fosters collaboration and cooperation across science, informs and influences science policy, encourages the study and application of science, supports the professional practice of science through professional registration and works towards diversity equality and inclusion in the science workforce.

The President represents the Science Council and leads in key strategic areas of the professional registration, influencing science policy, strengthening and supporting science education and the numbers who are engaged in and appreciate science, and ensuring that the Science Council continues to grow both in size and influence.

The President:

- Champions the value of professional registration
- Supports a multi-disciplinary approach to science and the application of science for the benefit of society
- Fosters collaboration across the broad range of multi-disciplinary interests and stakeholders
- Is a high level ambassador for the Science Council and works with member organisations and potential members to strengthen the reach and work of the charity, representing it to government and other stakeholders

The individual will have:

- A commitment to professional bodies and professional registration
- Already hold, or be eligible for, the Chartered Scientist designation
- Proven team-working skills
- High level recognition of achievement in their chosen field of science as well as in industry, academia, National Government and beyond
- Networking skills with a proven ability in fostering consensus, collaboration and collective action
- Good communication skills with the ability to engage a wide range of audiences
- The credibility and ability to work with and influence decision-formers at the highest level, demonstrated by current and past public appointments

### **The commitment**

This is a voluntary non-executive role and requires a minimum commitment of 10 days per annum. The appointment will be for four-year term with the potential for renewal for a further two years. The President is a member of the Board but does not chair the Board. The President, Chair and CEO will work together closely and with the Board to lead the organisation in the direction agreed by the Board and supported by member organisations.