Summer Grant Challenge 2012

Session 1: Week 3, 12th June: First meeting to go over process and initiate peer-to-peer interactions (groups of four academics) using 3 page outlines.

Session 2: Week 6, 3rd July: Focus on finances, work packages and impact with a talk from the Research Costings Officer, discussion of impact statements and another peer to peer meet-up.

Session 3: Week 13, 21st August: Full proposals ready, discussion of peer review forms, final pre-submission critique.

Session 1- Three page outline.

Prior to the meeting on the 12th of June, please prepare an outline of your project for consideration by your peers. This outline should have 1 page on track record, two pages on the project.

Track record: (these are merely suggestions, there are many ways to communicate the track record effectively)

- Start with an **overview**- why the research team is best placed (in terms of track record, facilities, uniqueness) to carry out this work.
- **PI (and CoI) background**, what have they done before (that is relevant + unique)? What is your career path and what are the highlights (prizes, grant income).
- **Research highlights,** detail ongoing research that provides context to the current proposal.
- **Your Department/School/Facilities**: Why is Strathclyde the right place for the proposed work? (don't be shy about Strathclyde's ambition and recent successes!) May include strategic fit to institution, details of investment in the area?
- Wider **context**/ network/ collaborators- describe how this projects sits within a wider context of collaborators, end-users, etc. Includes international.
- **Key publications**- 5-10 of your best papers. Ideally of the last couple of years to show level of activity.

Project Outline: (again, these are suggestions, not guidelines)

- **Overview:** It is crucial that the problem, its relevance and your unique solution to it are communicated clearly at the start.
- Brief **introduction** to the project and description of current solutions with references to the literature. Why is your approach better/different/unique?
- What have you done already- **previous work as relevant to the current application** (including preliminary results)
- Outline of the research programme
    - At this stage focus on **aims and objectives**, no detail required yet
    - If appropriate- **a scheme or figure** to capture your project in pictures.
    - **Programme methodology**- methods and facilities to be used, no detail required yet.
    - **Timeliness and novelty**.