

BAM Policy Note

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The coming months will be a busy period for higher education and research policy. In the coming months, we plan to make submissions to the consultations on open-access ('Plan S') and the government's consultation on the Knowledge Exchange Framework (KEF). We also expect to hear back from the Augur Review of Post-18 Education and Funding in late February, and look forward to the opportunity to respond to its report once the consultation opens. I continue to work with the Executive Committee, our Fellows, and the SIGs to respond to inquiries and consultations of importance to the business & management community, like these. We welcome input from our community, and I can be reached at policy@bam.ac.uk.

BAM's Fellows will have received an invitation to fill out a survey on their areas of expertise in early January. This is an important project for our policy function and future engagement, and we encourage you to complete this at your earliest convenience, if you have not done so already. Once the survey of Fellows is complete, we hope to roll this survey out more widely to our Council and SIG leadership. In this way we will be much better placed to identify where relevant knowledge and expertise reside when providing advice to policymakers.

As reported before the winter holidays, members of the executives of both BAM and the Chartered ABS continue to meet with policymakers and other stakeholders, as part of our joint campaign for greater investment in business and management research. For more information on this campaign, and downloads of the accompanying infographic and report, please see: https://charteredabs.org/research-impact/.

I would also like to draw your attention to an open funding opportunity from the ESRC, which is commissioning a Coordination & Evidence Hub as part of its initiative on 'Transforming Productivity, Management Practices & Employee Engagement.' The call can be found here, and applications are due by 14 March.

We also recently <u>welcomed</u> the ESRC's <u>announcement</u> that it has awarded a total of £3.8 million in funding to five research projects examining the impact of management practices on productivity. The ESRC's investment in management research is part of a growing a recognition of the key role our community can play in making the Industrial Strategy a success.

Finally, I encourage you to visit our **brand-new policy page** on the BAM website for up-to-date news on our policy work and funding opportunities like the one above: https://www.bam.ac.uk/policy. On the page you will also find published submissions to Parliamentary Inquiries and Government Consultations made by BAM and its Fellows, information on new opportunities to give evidence, and resources including a one-page guide of best practice for submitting written evidence to Parliament.