



Interface

The knowledge connection for business

Annual Review 2020-2021

We are delighted to present the 2020-2021 Interface Annual Review in a new interactive format which showcases the outcomes and impacts from a very busy 12 months. We invite you to explore further by clicking on the links. Please keep in touch with ideas, opportunities and challenges – we are here to help enable productive partnerships.

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Inspire



100% user satisfaction with Interface service.

What do people we've worked with **say** about our service?

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The annual **Scottish Knowledge Exchange Awards** shine a spotlight on the stars of academia and businesses.

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Access to an array of specialist facilities from wave machines to tasting labs.

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We have worked with thousands of businesses and organisations and have produced over **100 case studies** showing benefits and impacts of collaborations.

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Innovate

Interface has initiated over **2500 Academic Collaborations** with local, national and global businesses.



We have celebrated a record-breaking year, with a **16% increase** in collaborative projects between business and universities/colleges.

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The Interface team triaged over **1,100** initial enquiries from industry to ensure that the **521** industry led challenges that were translated and presented to Scottish universities, research institutes and colleges provided significant opportunities for collaborative working and knowledge exchange.

494 industry challenges entered discussions with over **24** different universities, colleges, innovation centres and research pools resulting in **654** separate discussions in 2020/21.

Impact

Interface generates annual impact of **£88.9M** GVA and supports **1,595** jobs which rises to **£222.3M** GVA and **3,193** jobs if expected impacts are realised.

Look at the impact our service has had on the **economy, society and environment**. We have team members based right across Scotland and we support knowledge exchange locally, regionally and internationally.

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Inform

Watch a selection of our webinars to help support and inform businesses and academics.

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Delivering support for funding applications for a wide range of business-academic projects across the whole of Scotland.

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People are at the centre of the Interface service. Meet our dynamic team and Strategic Board.

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Inclusive

Partnership working expands our networks and informs the work we do. **Inclusive innovation** to enable responsible business underpins all the work we do.

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Our collaborations tackle climate change and societal challenges leading to a just transition.

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