The Scottish Knowledge Exchange Awards celebrates the partnerships between business, third sector, and public sector organisations and academia. Now in its 10th anniversary year, this annual event recognises and rewards exceptional collaborations that deliver economic, environmental and social benefits for Scotland.

**Multiparty Collaboration Award 2025**

This award recognises consortia and groups collaborating on innovative knowledge exchange projects.

**Criteria:**

* Open to groups and consortia of three or more parties, including at least one academic partner from a Scottish university, college or research institute and at least one business partner
* Applications should demonstrate the innovation and impact achieved through collaboration, highlighting the unique partnership approach to addressing a common challenge and the significant benefit for each participating party
* The collaboration must have been initiated within the last five years, since **1st August 2019**
* We encourage applications that involve multiple universities, colleges, or research institute working together on a knowledge exchange project with other partners

**Please email your completed application to** [marketing@interface-online.org.uk](mailto:marketing@interface-online.org.uk) by **5pm** on **Thursday 12th December 2024**.

**Key Dates:**

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| Submission Deadline: | 5pm, Thursday 12th December 2024 |
| Shortlist Announced: | Wednesday 12th February 2025 |
| Awards Ceremony: | March 2025 |

If you have any questions regarding the completion of the application form, please contact [**marketing@interface-online.org.uk**](mailto:marketing@interface-online.org.uk)

**Please Note:** The judging panel decisions are final. The panel reserves the right not to make an award in a specific category if the standard is deemed to be of insufficient quality. Previous award winners are not eligible to apply to a category that they have won in the past.

**Collaboration Partners**

**Lead applicant** (main point of contact that the Interface team will liaise with)

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| **Name** |  |
| **Job Title** |  |
| **Organisation name** |  |
| **Email address** |  |
| **Contact number** |  |

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| **Name of collaboration / group / consortium** |  |
| **Name and email of the lead contact from all organisations involved in this partnership (this includes businesses, trade bodies, academic institutions etc.)** |  |
| **What date did the collaboration commence?** |  |

**Application Form**

**To ensure that applications can be considered on equal terms, please ensure that you follow the word limits specified below. Additional information provided will not be considered by the judging panel.**

However, if you would like to add any assets in support of your application (such as images, video links), please include these within this submission, or as an appendix.

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| **Section 1 - Describe the features of the multiparty collaboration.** *When was the collaboration initiated, who are the partners within the collaboration, for what purpose was it facilitated? Is there a novel make up to the partnership e.g. creativity in expertise or region for example. (400 words)* |
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| **Section 2 - How has the partnership supported the organisations growth and / or commercial success?** *Outline tangible and intangible benefits (i) achieved to date (ii) predicated for the future e.g., economic, social, environmental, expansion into new markets. (400 words)* |
| Benefits achieved to date |
| Future benefits predicted |
| **Section 3 - Outline the impact to the academic partner(s) of the collaboration achieved** *e.g. impacts on teaching, learning, research, income, public engagement. Include details of the academic department(s) associated with the partnership and their level of support; have you received public funding? (400 words)* |
| Benefits achieved to date |
| Future benefits predicted |
| **Section 4 - Outline the top three impacts from collaborating as a group as opposed to individually**. *Outline examples of shared resource, knowledge, expertise, timings etc. (400 words)* |
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| **Section 5 - What next?** *Outline the key milestones for next phase of the collaboration. Will the collaboration lead onto further research with the same or further partners? (200 words)* |
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**Pre and Post Award Promotion:**

The Interface Marketing and Communications team will endeavour to raise the profile of your organisation, the Scottish Knowledge Exchange Awards and the Interface service through pre and post Award promotion. By submitting this application / nomination form, you are agreeing for the details to be used in any related press and marketing materials. We recommend, therefore, that there should be no IP or confidentiality issues which would restrict publishing details of your application.

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| **To assist with the application promotion which will be used for the shortlist announcements, please provide a brief summary of your collaborative project below** *(Maximum 60 words)*  For examples see the 2024 project summaries [here](https://interface-online.org.uk/news/scottish-knowledge-exchange-awards-2024-finalists-revealed/). |
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**Data Protection:**

By completing this application/nomination form, you accept and consent to the use of your data by Interface and any individuals, i.e. judges, involved with the delivery, audit, review and evaluation of this application / nomination form. It is the lead applicant’s role to ensure that all parties, whose details are included in this application form, are aware of and agree to this submission.

Interface’s full privacy statement can be read [here](https://interface-online.org.uk/privacy-and-cookies).

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**by 5pm on Thursday 12th December 2024**