

The Vice-Chancellor's travel schedule Academic Year 2018/19

Hong Kong (24-27 September 2018)

Visit to introduce our new Chancellor to our alumni in Hong Kong, participation in a meeting of Essex Global Leaders, a presentation in a seminar on 'Brexit, The U.K. Hong Kong and China' for friends and supporters of the University, and a visit to the British Consulate.

South Africa and Botswana (3-10 November 2018)

Visit to meet senior teams to explore and/or develop research and education partnerships at Stellenbosch University, University of Western Cape Town, University of Cape Town Sports Science Institute of South Africa, African Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Cape Peninsular University of Technology, and the University of Witwatersrand; a visit to the British Consulate and a visit to the University of Botswana to explore research and education partnerships.

Kenya and Ghana (9-15 December 2018)

Visit to meet senior teams and develop research and education partnerships at University of Nairobi, the University of Kenyatta, and meetings with the UK Science & Innovation Network, UK High Commission; and in Ghana visits to the University of Ghana, Lancaster University Ghana, the British Council Ghana and Secretary General of The African Research Universities Alliance.

Brussels (18-19 December 2018)

Participation in the launch work of the Young Universities for the Future of Europe Alliance (YUFE) comprising Maastricht University, the University of Antwerp, the University of Bremen, the University of Rome Tor Vergata, the University of Eastern Finland, the University Carlos III Madrid, and the University of Essex. The VC joined six other Presidents/VCs, and regional leaders who gave presentations on local and regional smart-specialisation strategies.

India and Sri Lanka (2-12 January 2019)

Building on a visit in February/March 2018, this focused on raising the profile of the University of Essex, through participation in a TV panel on Brexit and Higher Education, a radio interview, a seminar on 'U.K., the World and India after Brexit' for friends and supporters of the University at the British Council and two alumni dinners, one in Bengaluru and one in Colombo. In addition visits in New Delhi were made to GD Goenka University, OP Jindal University, Jamia Millia Islamia University and in Bengaluru visits to The Indian Institute of Science, Jain University and Christ University. In Sri Lanka visits were made to Horizon Campus and the Central Bank of Sri Lanka in Colombo and Peradeniya University in Kandy.

Brussels (12-13 February 2019)

Attendance at Young Universities for the Future of Europe (YUFE) Executive meeting. The VC joined other YUFE members and associate partners to discuss the next steps for the alliance.

China (20-27 February 2019)

Visit to meet senior teams to explore and/or develop research and education partnerships at University of Science & Technology Beijing, Beijing Institute of Technology and Northwest University; a visit to British Council to explore research and student mobility partnerships. The VC also attended the University's inaugural Asia Graduation ceremony in Beijing, which celebrated the achievements of nearly 200 recent graduates from across China and East Asia.

Antwerp (28-29 March 2019)

Attendance at Young European Research Universities Network (YERUN) General Assembly meeting. The VC joined six other YERUN members to discuss the progress of the network.

Spain and Germany (2-7 June 2019)

Visit to meet senior teams to explore and develop bilateral research and education partnerships at: the University Carlos III Madrid; Autonomous University of Barcelona; Pompeu Fabra University; and University of Konstanz who are all members of the Young European Research Universities Network.

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