



Bristol Centre for Functional Nanomaterials

# Functional Materials and the Environment: A Forum for SME-Academic Collaboration

Thursday 19 September 2013, 9.30 am-6.30 pm

Held at the At-Bristol Conference centre



**The Functional Materials and the Environment Forum will bring together SME's and other companies with academics from the University of Bristol to explore and drive innovation. This one-day event seeks to identify a set of common interests and goals across the value chain with a view to establishing multi-partner collaborations which can be supported by the Bristol Centre for Functional Nanomaterials.**

## **The objectives of the forum are:**

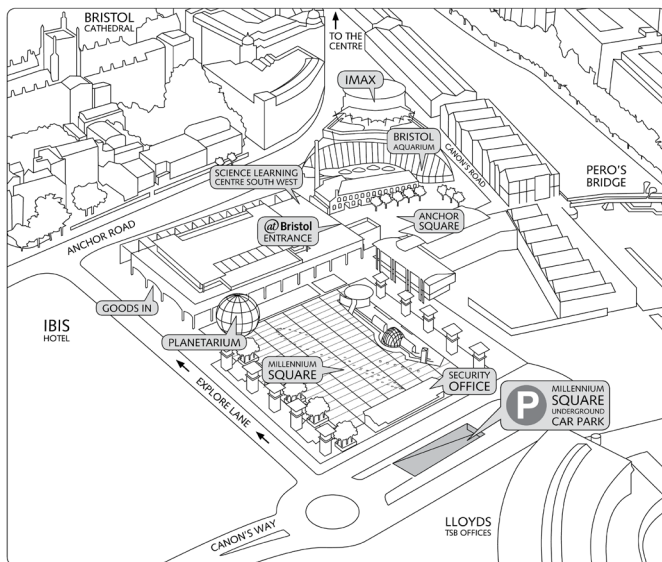
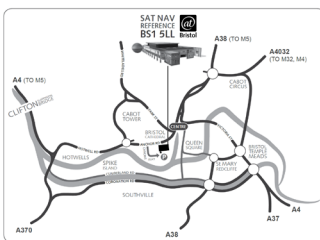
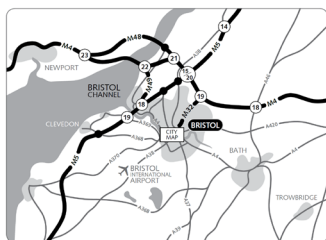
- ✦ To identify common challenges and new innovations in the theme of 'Functional materials and the environment'
- ✦ To explore collaborative opportunities with other SME's and the University of Bristol to overcome common challenges and accelerate commercialisation
- ✦ To provide SME's with access routes to leading academic talent and facilities and build competitive advantage
- ✦ Featuring keynote speeches, open thematic discussions and a funding sources exhibition
- ✦ Refreshments and lunch provided, drinks reception to follow event

**Registration fee £35 (parking reimbursed). To register your interest please visit [bcfn.bris.ac.uk/FMEconference2013](http://bcfn.bris.ac.uk/FMEconference2013) or email [andy.collins@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:andy.collins@bristol.ac.uk)**

**The Bristol Centre for Functional Nanomaterials (BCFN) is a research and PhD training centre, dedicated to the training of graduate students, but also designed to facilitate relationships with industrial partners - this can occur through consultancy, bespoke contract research and sponsored MSc and PhD projects, all fully configurable for industrial needs. We are a problem-solving centre, and the interactions with our company partners are managed by our industrial research fellow who is a member of the full-time BCFN management team.**

We emphasise a fundamental nanoscale understanding of materials: their design, fabrication, characterisation and end use applications. The activities take place across the world-class research landscape of the science, engineering and medical faculties of the University of Bristol, underpinned by state-of-the-art infrastructure. The extensive researcher network, more than 100 academics across 15 departments of the University of Bristol, and more than 50 students in training, means that we are a flexible, adaptive body, able to respond to changing needs and demands.

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