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*The Free IOP Communicators Conference is to be held on the 17<sup>th</sup> of November 2022*

## Upcoming IOP Communicators/Outreach Events

It's been a while since you've heard from the communicators group, but we wanted to let you know about a series of upcoming free communication events which the committee has lined up this year.

There are a couple of interesting workshops and we're also crowning off the year with a one-day conference for sharing best practice in the communication of Physics which we hope you can join us for.

### **The Culture and Naming of SI Units – (25<sup>th</sup> April)**

Have you ever thought about why measuring standards are useful? We have units of measure that are convenient (the teaspoon, a pint, the cm) fundamental constants (the speed of light, Planck's constant and many others) and measurement standards that are now called SI units. Would we have been able to make the discoveries in physics without this process of standardization? Have these units of measure been fairly attributed to the discovery teams and how do differing cultures see this? Are we missing anything?

The event is both in person at the IOP HQ in London or available to watch online on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 10:30 – 16:30. You can register for free [here](#).

### **Leadership Online Event - (21<sup>st</sup> June)**

This is a half-day online event focuses on developing key leadership skills among physicists including communication. Looking at clear areas which can be used as support for all members in their careers and leadership development.

Registration is not yet available but save the date and look out for further information and registration details in the future.

### **IOP Communicators Conference – (17<sup>th</sup> November)**

An opportunity for physics communicators and outreach enthusiasts of all levels to meet and discuss best practice and collaboration. With the theme 'Reaching Out, Catching Up' the conference focuses on examining how we've all had to adapt to the Covid19 pandemic, what lessons we can learn from that and how we can get back to engaging with the public, especially for underserved communities hit especially hard.

This is a totally free conference aimed at giving group members and the communication curious a chance to share their experiences and learn from others. The event will be in person at the London IOP HQ with opportunities for

speakers, workshops and exhibition tables. As much of the event as possible will also be shared online for those not able to attend in person.

Whilst registration is not yet fully open you can express your interest as both an attendee or speaker at the event website [here](#) so that you're the first to hear when things go live. As this is a member focused event we want to work with people to be able to share as much and as interesting work as possible so do get in touch with [james.lees@physics.org](mailto:james.lees@physics.org) for any ideas you don't think fit into the registration form.

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