



London International Youth Science Forum brings together students from over 75 countries to celebrate its 60th year with a welcome from The Princess Royal

London, July 25, 2019, The London International Youth Science Forum (LIYSF) is a two-week residential event held at Imperial College London and The Royal Geographical Society, running from 25th July to 7th August 2019, with lectures and demonstrations from leading scientists, visits to prestigious industrial sites, research centres, scientific institutions and organisations, including the UK's foremost universities: Imperial, Oxford, Cambridge and UCL.

LIYSF is attended by over 500 of the world's leading young science and engineering students aged 16-21 years, selected from more than 75 countries across 6 continents. Participants include prize winners of national and international science competitions and recipients of scholarships from schools, colleges, and educational bodies, grants from industry and scientific institutions, and funding from charitable foundations.

LIYSF 2019 key points:

- 500 exceptional science students from over 75 countries in 6 continents
- 60th year focus is SCIENCE AT THE INTERFACE
- Lectures from leading scientists including Nobel Prize winner and President of the Royal Society, Venki Ramakrishnan, Professor Sir Nigel Shadbolt, Professor Sir Steven Cowley and Professor Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell
- Founded by Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Phillip HRH and with a welcome from The Princess Royal
- Under the Patronage of UNESCO in recognition of its contribution to developing the next generation of scientists
- Closing lecture from Professor Jim Al-Khalili OBE

The 2019 LIYSF will address a broad and diverse range of subjects across STEM fields with the overarching theme of SCIENCE AT THE INTERFACE. Students will be encouraged to consider science in a broader context: at the interface with society, business, policy, and government - as well as its economic, social and cultural impact. Through the course of the forum students will be equipped with new knowledge and skills, connections, and a broader perspective.

Nobel Prize winner and current President of the Royal Society, Sir Venki Ramakrishnan, will deliver the keynote Opening Address on Thursday, July 25th, while renowned British scientist, author and broadcaster Professor Jim Al-Khalili will give the closing lecture on August 6th.

Richard Myhill, LIYSF Director commented: "The LIYSF is a unique opportunity for the scientists of the future from across the world to come together and share ideas and build networks. Never has the need for scientific innovation

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been more at the forefront of the global agenda, and the LIYSF is proud to play a part in inspiring the next generation of scientists."

LIYSF 2019 programme highlights;

- **Sir Venki Ramakrishnan** - Nobel Prize winner and President of the Royal Society
- **Jim Al-Khalili** - Professor of Physics at the University of Surrey and Chair of Public Engagement in Science
- **Professor Sir Nigel Shadbolt** - Principal and Professorial Research Fellow in Computer Science at the University of Oxford, Chairman of the Open Data Institute and visiting Professor at the University of Southampton
- **Professor Sir Steven Cowley** - Director of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Princeton Plasma Physics
- **Professor Dame Jocelyn Bell Burnell** - Visiting Professor at the University of Oxford in the Department of Physics and Professorial Fellow in Physics at Mansfield College.
- **Professor Tolullah Oni** - Public Health Physician Scientist and urban epidemiologist at the University of Cambridge, Clinical Senior Research fellow at the University of Cambridge Global Public Health Research programme and Associate Professor at the University of Cape Town, South Africa

More information on the programme here -
<https://www.liysf.org.uk/liysf/principal-lectures>

About LIYSF;

Founded in 1959 in the aftermath of the two World Wars, LIYSF was created with the ambition to give a deeper insight into science and its applications for the benefit of all mankind and to develop a greater understanding between young people of all nations. A vital part of the experience of attending LIYSF is creating global citizens through the exchange of different cultures and traditions, and for many students visiting LIYSF offers their first opportunity to travel abroad.

Alumni include Dr Michael Moloney, Professor Clare Elwell, Mark Shuttleworth and Professor Richard O'Kennedy.

LIYSF enjoys the support of the UK government and British Council and each year has a welcome included from the Prime Minister. The founding Patron is the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Phillip HRH. LIYSF receives patronage and support from UNESCO.

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