



AULRE / AREIAC Annual Conference 2025  
University of Exeter  
Thursday 26th - Friday 27th June, 2025



## To Boldly Go? Conference Programme Overview

### Wednesday 25th June - from 5pm

**Optional Town Tour:** Taking in the cathedral, mosque and synagogue

### Thursday 26th June - from 10:30am

**Opening:** AULRE and AREIAC chairs

**Welcome:** Professor Rob Freathy, University of Exeter

**Unlearning RE:** What is the role of Religious Education in our time of climate and social justice crises?

**Interactive opening session:** provocations and responses: Dr Kate Christopher and Alexandra Brown

**Workshops and papers:** Informing practice and informing research

**'At the chalk face':** Quick fire, sharing school and university based innovative projects

**Drinks reception and public lecture:** Robin Shepherd endowed lecture

Making good citizens - religion, values and belonging in everyday school worlds

Dr Anna Strhan: Reader in Sociology, University of York

### Thursday Evening: GALA DINNER

### Friday 27th June - from 10:00am (following time with associations)

**Bold innovative pedagogical approaches** to Religious Education emerging now.

e.g. Rob Freathy: REsearchers approach

**Workshops and papers:** Informing practice and informing research

**Plenary Session:** To Boldly Go - the way forward, the risks and challenges

Rob Freathy, Kate Christopher and Alexandra Brown: interactive session of questions and dialogue.

Followed by a round table discussion, summary points and press release construction.

**Proposals for papers and workshops welcomed**

**Display stalls (no cost) available on a first come first served basis**

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Full programme details will be available soon on our website