# Discussion Event: The Culture of Scientific Research Calling all researchers – what's it like being you?

Monday 15 September 2014, 11.30-13.00 (coffee in room 5 from 11.00)
Mill Lane Lecture Theatres Room 1, University of Cambridge

What motivates researchers and what pressures are they under?

What effects are funding and publishing systems having on the production of high quality, ethical scientific research?

Are current methods for assessing the quality of science working?

*Is competition in science a good thing?* 

Express your views on these and other questions at a discussion event organised by the University of Cambridge in collaboration with the Nuffield Council on Bioethics.

The event is part of a nationwide-project to gather views and encourage debate about how the different features of the UK research environment are affecting, both positively and negatively, the work and behaviour of scientists at all stages of their career. The findings of the project willbe published and presented to policy makers towards the end of 2014. This is your chance to contribute.

## Chair:

### **Ottoline Leyser**

Professor of Plant Development and Director of the Sainsbury Laboratory, University of Cambridge;

Deputy Chair of the Nuffield Council on Bioethics

#### Panel:

## **Professor Ian Leslie**

Robert Sansom Professor of Computer Science and former Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research), University of Cambridge

## **Professor Alan Hughes**

Margaret Thatcher Professor of Enterprise Studies (Emeritus), Cambridge Judge Business School

Further panel member TBC

The event is open to anyone and is free to attend but please register in advance.

Register for the event: <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/sci-culture-Cam">https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/sci-culture-Cam</a>

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