

Engagement events for Fellows, by Fellows

The aim of the For Fellows, By Fellows events are for Fellows to engage with each other intellectually outside the structure of Section meetings. All suggestions for engagement events are welcomed, and do not necessarily have to fit into these proposals.

Discussions should be based on the following principles.

Principles for all For Fellows, By Fellows, Fellows' Week events:

All suggestions will be sent to the Section Chairs Group who will review the overall programme of discussions before it's confirmed.

- All discussions should be by Fellows, for Fellows only, all speakers and attendees should be drawn from within the Fellowship (including Honorary and International Fellows).
- All talks should be held under the Chatham House rule
- Topics can be broad and cross-cutting or very specific or niche. We particularly welcome talks on cross- or inter-disciplinary themes.
- If a larger number of suggestions are received than there is space for priority will be given to those who have not yet held a For Fellows discussion.
- Fellows should be aware that there may be multiple views on the topic and to be mindful of this in the way the session is framed.
- Topics can be suggested by any Fellow and should be available to Fellows across disciplines and Sections. Conversations held with two or three other Fellows tend to work best.
- There is no onus on achieving a minimum number of attendees, but we may need to limit the number of attendees so as to remain within capacity restrictions.
- All discussions will be advertised to all Fellows in advance.

Proposals:

Please email proposals to j.empson@thebritishacademy.ac.uk including: a title, a topic summary of no more than 100-60 words, speaker suggestions, proposing Fellows (ideally across at least two Sections, but not necessarily), requested dates/ times, and any other considerations.

Fellows' Week October 2026

We invite Sections and Fellows to suggest topics for discussion in line with the above principles for the October 'For Fellows, By Fellows' events by **Friday 3 July**. Discussions should be no longer than 2 hours. However, if a Section has a particular request or a format in mind this may be considered too.

October 2026 timetable:

Friday 3 July	Deadline for proposals
10-24 July	All proposals sent to the Section Chairs Forum
31 July	Finalise details with organisers. Confirm timetable, bookings.
Start of August	Send out timetable of Engagement Week talks to all Fellows with booking details.
September	Details of discussions re-sent to all Fellows