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Dear Colleagues,

UKNSCN INTERIM BULLETIN - UPDATE ON UKNSCN RE-STRUCTURING

Following the announcements made by the Network's sponsors at the UKNSCN annual scientific meeting in Oxford last month, the first meeting of the new UKNSCN **Management Board** took place on 21 May. The UKNSCN is now in a position to publish the expertise template which will be used by the Network's sponsors to appoint a Chair and members to the new UKNSCN **Advisory Committee** over the coming weeks. You will find the template attached to this interim bulletin, preceded by a statement from the sponsors which refers to the relevant recommendation from the UKNSCN Review and the role of the new Advisory Committee. The template has 22 seats (including the Chair) and the sponsors will take into account the nominations received from you (the community) in late 2008 and early 2009, as well as other important criteria such as gender and geographic spread, when making appointments.

The new UKNSCN Management Board (to which the Executive Director reports) will meet quarterly, and comprises senior representatives from the current four sponsors of the Network (BBSRC, MRC, EPSRC and ESRC) and also TSB, STFC, DH and DIUS. The Management Board is chaired by BBSRC (the hosting organisation) and will also include the Chairman of the Advisory Committee once he/she has been appointed.

Yours sincerely,

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