

OWRI LEGACY OBJECTIVES

- 1. To have produced a portfolio of world-class research in Modern Languages, through:**
 - 1.1 publishing a body of high-profile monographs, refereed journal articles, handbooks, edited volumes and multi-media outputs which will both become standard reference works in their field, and position Modern Languages at the cutting edge of wider humanities research agendas
 - 1.2 generating a powerful and coherent new Modern Languages narrative
 - 1.3 stimulating and creating best practice for Modern Languages research across the UK
- 2. To have offered transformative approaches in the way Modern Languages research is conducted in UK HEIs, through:**
 - 2.1 establishing new interdisciplinary, international and non-HEI collaborations that allow ML to address local, national and global challenges in innovative ways
 - 2.2 developing new methodologies and insights, both disciplinary and interdisciplinary
 - 2.3 increasing research capacity and capability via cross-project training and development of a new cohort of postdoctoral fellows and doctoral students to be future research leaders
 - 2.4 re-conceptualising Modern Languages including broadening the Europe-centric outlook and engaging community and indigenous languages
 - 2.5 supporting innovation in research-led teaching and informing curriculum change at university and school levels
- 3. To have championed communication about the value and achievements of Modern Languages research in the UK, through:**
 - 3.1 hosting and participating in national and international conferences and workshops to generate, discuss and disseminate new insights
 - 3.2 using the achievements of OWRI projects, for example, through case studies, to raise the profile of Modern Languages research in the UK, including its role in addressing key social challenges
 - 3.3 establishing a sustainable collaboration with other research projects, relevant learned societies, the British Academy, British Council, Chartered Institute of Linguists, UCML and other organisations concerned with the health of the discipline
- 4. To have placed Modern Languages more firmly on the political agenda, through:**
 - 4.1 engaging policy makers and civil servants in policy debates
 - 4.2 collaborating with the All-Party Parliamentary Group on Modern Languages, government agencies, local government and public bodies, schools associations and other relevant organisations on matters relevant to the health of the discipline, and languages in society
 - 4.3 making targeted contributions across the projects to specific policy issues at national, devolved and local levels, focused on education, social cohesion, migration, security, health, business, diplomacy, conflict resolution and post-conflict development
- 5. To have raised awareness in the UK public about the value of Modern Languages, through:**
 - 5.1 co-creating research with non-HEI partners across the projects, with their input into the research questions and their collaboration in disseminating findings to the public
 - 5.2 developing innovative ways of working with and engaging the UK public, including building closer ties with local language communities in order to raise the profile of community and indigenous languages in the UK
 - 5.3 maintaining a cross-project national focus on schools in order to raise the profile of Modern Languages and to increase collaboration between schools and HEIs
 - 5.4 developing research-based materials for professional practice and public services, at local, national and international levels
 - 5.5 creating an environment for continuing dialogue across sectors beyond the term of the projects.