Circular letter

Knowledge Exchange Framework

To: Heads of English higher education providers

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Dear Vice-Chancellor or Principal

Knowledge Exchange Framework

1. Research England has today published the results of the third iteration of the Knowledge Exchange Framework, known as KEF3. The KEF dashboards may be accessed at https://kef.ac.uk/ from midday on Wednesday 27 September 2023.

2. The KEF3 dashboards will display the results of all English higher education providers that received an allocation of Research England’s Higher Education Innovation Funding (HEIF) in 2022-23 or that were eligible for a HEIF allocation and chose to submit KEF3 narrative statements to Research England.

3. While there have been no substantive changes to the underlying methodology used for KEF3 compared to that in KEF2, KEF3 includes updated narrative statements and utilises updated KE clusters. Full information about the design of KEF3 can be found in the June 2023 KEF3 decisions report.

Yours sincerely

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