

Wednesday 21 July: Talking About soil

Join BSSS' Early Careers Committee at *Talking About Soil* on **Wednesday 21 July** from **1.30pm to 5.00pm**. Featuring two invited speakers, it is your guide to presenting your research in an engaging way to academic and non-academic audiences.

The conference is available **free of charge** to BSSS Early Career members and please register to attend in advance of the event: <https://britishsocietyofsoilscience.wildapricot.org/event-4350205>.

TIME	ACTIVITY	LOCATION
13:00	<p>Explore Gather Town and Scavenger Hunt</p> <p>Watch our Gather Town venue tour on YouTube for how to use the platform and navigate your way around - https://youtu.be/qn2rT6kX_wl</p>	All rooms in Gather Town
13:30	<p>Welcome and Introduction on Gather Town</p>	Workshop Room in Gather Town
13:40	<p>Chris Snowden</p> <p>Top Tips for Engaging the Public</p> <p>Join Chris Snowden as he shares some of his top tips for engaging the public in an hour-long session that will introduce you to different concepts to consider when creating an engaging experience. From picking your audience, to the importance of the language you use and the power of stories and passion to get your audience to care about your work (plus many more tips!).</p> <p>Watch Chris' introduction video - https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2xq64vIPVtQ.</p>	Microsoft Teams link from Workshop Room in Gather Town
14:40	<p>Comfort Break</p>	
14:50	<p>Meet The Committee</p> <p>Find out more about your Early Careers Committee and take the opportunity to network with your peers. This session will give you the opportunity to share your thoughts and feedback with committee members as well as take part in a game of networking bingo!</p>	Workshop Room in Gather Town
15:35	<p>Comfort Break</p>	

15:45	<p>Dr Ashish Malik</p> <p>Communicating effectively with academic audiences: a perspective through research on soil microbiomes and carbon cycling</p> <p>Presenting your soil research to an inter-disciplinary academic audience can be challenging. In this workshop, Dr Ashish Malik will share his experience on how to effectively communicate soil research to peers in the field. He will begin with a short presentation of his research on understanding how soil microbiomes cycle carbon in terrestrial ecosystems, followed by a behind-the-scenes insight on the making of such a presentation, top tips, interactive activities and an open discussion.</p>	Microsoft Teams link from Workshop Room in Gather Town
16:45	Conclusion and Final Comments	Continued on Microsoft Teams
17:00	Close	