



## Opportunity to give a Lightning Talk -2019 CRACK IT Launch Event

All delegates have the opportunity to sign up to present a quick five-minute Lightning Talk to meet potential collaborators for the 2019 CRACK IT Challenges. Lightning talks will take place over the lunchtime session in a designated area and be included in the event proceedings.

### What are Lightning Talks?

Short informative and informal talks designed to share ideas, concepts, innovations, best practices, or anything that might be of interest to the audience. They provide opportunity to become more familiar with colleagues across sectors and their programmes and interests.

### Format

- Each presenter has 5 minutes to deliver their talk.
- Start with introducing yourself– name, position and Institution, etc.
- **To ensure there is time for everyone who wishes to speak, there will be no opportunity to present slides with your talk.** You can offer to go through any slides on a one to one basis after the session.

### Topic ideas

- Share something you're working on, you've done, or you've learned that might be of interest to other potential applicants.
- Call people to action: outline your interest in collaborating to solve the Challenge.
- Pose a question to be answered.

### Lightning Talk Abstracts Format and Contents (limited to 1 page, 500 words max.)

- **Title:** A title for the Lightning Talk.
- **Abstract:** A summary of the Lightning Talk. Please be sure that your summary is accurate.
- **Description:** Describe your talk in more detail. It will be helpful for reviewers to know why you are excited about the topic, and why you think others will be interested too. Outline how you plan to present your topic in five (5) minutes. Lightning talks are expected to explore tentative or preliminary work, or even ideas for possible work. Presentations of mature work will not be considered.

### Tips for Successful Lightning Talks

- Make your point quickly.
- When talking provide minimum amount of background needed to give context to make your point.
- Focus and reduce the amount you say rather than rushing to cram more in if possible.
- End strong, restating your main point.
- Have fun.

**Abstracts must be submitted by 12.00pm (BST) 28 August 2019 via email to:**

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