

## Dr Aude le Guennec

Elected as a Senator in 2016, I have the privilege to represent the School of Textiles and Design during a time of changes and uncertainties. Being involved in the governance of the University gives me the opportunity to advocate for a generous, equal and fair institution proud of its heritage and creativity. As a young female professional, with an international background in industry and academia, I am highly supportive of an inclusive University. I am a strong believer of Higher Education as a social ladder and I am a member of the Military Education Committee, which is an outstanding platform for those supporting the social insertion of students from disadvantaged backgrounds.

As a Member of the Young Academy of Scotland, I take part in outreach activities, discussions and policy implementations focusing on the future of research, national culture strategies and the role that Scottish Universities have to play in a global environment. Research active, I am prepared to commit in the discussions surrounding the next REF and to support the voice of the academic community in this process.

Teaching in cross-campus programmes at undergraduate and postgraduate levels and as a Director of Fashion Studies, I am particularly involved in the pastoral care and the design of innovative ways to teach reflective practitioners. I believe in the benefit of vocational degrees and work hard to foster the industry input within our curricula. My role in the Studies Committee echoes this expertise: I contribute to the implementation of the University Learning and Teaching Policy while supporting an innovative approach and industry commitments at all levels.

Giving me the opportunity to seat for another term of office at Senate will allow me to keep contributing towards the development of a respectful and committed global and Scottish University where the past informs the future and inspires our community in a challenging context.