

Dr Rehan Ahmed

I am seeking the membership of the Senate because I believe that I can significantly contribute to the success of Heriot-Watt University as an effective global institution. I have contributed to the success of Heriot-Watt University (EPS) as an academic in various capacities for 17 years, 10 years initially in Edinburgh and the last seven years in Dubai. This gives me a unique perspective and understanding of our global transformation through the policies and values which will deliver our 2025 strategy. My current role as the Associate Director of Research in EPS-Dubai enables me to work with faculty in Edinburgh and Malaysia and provide an understanding of the opportunities which will help efficiently-deliver our global strategy. I am also the Global and Local Course leader for a number of undergraduate and postgraduate courses in Mechanical and Chemical Engineering, which gives me the experience to ensure that our direction is well-aligned with the needs of our global student population. I am a member of the EPS-Dubai management group, part of the University Leadership Forum, and an elected member of the Dubai Academic Council.

My previous employments have been at Brunel University and the University of Cambridge. Externally, I am a member of the EPSRC Peer Review College and Member of the Editorial Board of seminal journals. These current and past experiences have kept me abreast with the challenges and opportunities of global agenda, and give me an opportunity to contribute and lead in delivering impactful change through the membership of Senate and Senate Committees.