

“Innovative Learning Spaces. Unlocking the Impact of Makerspaces.”

Unimaker, launched by the University of Sheffield, highlights innovation in higher education makerspaces. During this two-day event, Unimaker Salford looks to foster open exchange on best practices, tools, and methodologies of running academic makerspaces. It will feature a diverse line up of speakers and panels on the power of maker culture, how we sustain maker pedagogy, and develop future-fit skillsets and innovation opportunities. The event is kindly hosted at the University of Salford and proudly supported by the Morson Group STEM Foundation.

AGENDA & TIMETABLE

Day 1

| Thursday 26th June | |
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| 09:30-10:30am | <i>Arrival / Refreshments. Booked Maker Space tours.</i> |
| 10:30-10:45am | Welcome from the Maker Space: Dr. Maria Stukoff. |
| 10:50-11:00am | Unimaker Introduction: Dr. Peter Mylon. |
| 11:00-11:40am | Inspirational Speaker: Navjot Sawhney, Founder. The Washing Machine Project Followed by a conversation on maker culture and fostering an entrepreneurial mindset. |
| 11:40-12:00noon | Lighting talks. |
| 12:00-12:30pm | Discover our marketplace and booked Maker Space tours. |
| 12:30-13:30pm | Marketplace & Lunch |
| 13:35-14:00pm | Keynote 01: Prof. Corrina Cory, The University of Exeter |
| 14:00-14:30pm | Panel 01 |
| 14:40-15:30pm | Facilitated roundtable discussion: Group discussions exploring conference themes. |
| 15:30-16:10pm | Student Panel: Why makerspaces enrich student experience and why is this valuable? |
| 16:10-17:00pm | Facilitated feedback. Shared summary from roundtable discussions. |
| 17:00-18:00pm | Drinks / Networking. |
| 18:00-20:00pm | Hot Food Buffet. Served at the School of Engineering, Science and Environment. |

Day 2

| Friday 27th June | |
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| 09:15-09:45am | <i>Arrival / Refreshments. Booked Maker Space tours.</i> |
| 09:50-10:00am | Welcome and recap. Dr. Maria Stukoff. |
| 10:10-10:25am | Keynote 02: Dr. Alejandro Veliz Reyes. The University of Plymouth. |
| 10:30-11:00am | Panel 02 |
| 11:00-12:00 | Facilitated roundtable discussion: Group discussions exploring conference themes. |
| 12:00-12:30pm | Facilitated feedback. Shared summary from roundtable discussions. |
| 12:00-13:00pm | Lunch. Booked Maker Space Tours |
| 13:00-13:20 | Lighting talks |
| 13:20-13:30pm | Unimaker 2026 Announcement |
| 13:30-14:30pm | Take Aways and closing remarks. |
| 15:00 | Conference end. |