

## Research Excellence Framework timetable

Following the announcement of a year delay to the Research Excellence Framework (REF), the timetable for the REF is now as follows:

July 2010	Main Panel Chairs Designate appointed Announce panel structure and start recruitment of expert panels
17 September 2010	Deadline for applications for sub panel chairs
8 October 2010	Deadline for nominating panel members
October 2010	Sub-panel chairs appointed
November 2010	Reports from the impact pilot exercise
December 2010	Panel members appointed
Early 2011	Panels begin meeting
Mid 2011	Panels consult on criteria
Mid 2011	Guidance on submissions published
Late 2011	Panel criteria and methods published
Early 2013	Submission system operational
Late 2013	Submissions deadline
2014	Panels assess submissions
December 2014	Outcomes published