

# METHODS | NORTH WEST

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**MethodsX Conference** will provide a unique opportunity for students to develop and reflect upon their methodological approaches and research problems. The themed sessions will give students starting out on their research projects the chance to learn from those more advanced in their doctoral studies. Those at later stages in their research, in turn, will benefit from being asked to reflect on their experiences of doing research. During the event tag your tweets with **#MethodsXNW**

## Conference Morning Programme (Kanaris Lecture Theatre)

<b>09:30 – 10:00</b>	Registration and Coffee
<b>10:00 – 10:50</b>	<p><b>Welcome to Methods North West</b> Professor Judith Aldridge (Director of MethodsNW, The University of Manchester)</p> <p><b>PGR Welcome</b> Leon Kanaris (Current PGR at The University of Manchester)</p> <p><b>Introducing MethodsX</b> Dr Ian Fairweather (The University of Manchester)</p> <p><b>Value of Regional Cooperation</b> <i>Dr Michael Mair (Director of Engage@Liverpool, University of Liverpool)</i></p>
<b>10.50 – 12:00</b>	<p><b>Keynote Speaker: Dr Reka Solymosi</b> (Lecturer in Quantitative Methods, The University of Manchester)</p>
<b>12:00 – 13:00</b>	Lunch (Kanaris Lecture Theatre)

*All afternoon parallel sessions will take place at University Place Building (i.e. the “tin can” like building) across the street from [Kanaris Lecture Theatre](#). Please follow signs and/or ask the student ambassadors (a.k.a. the purple people) for help.*

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