**SCI Festival Programme – December 5th 2019**

Alliance Manchester Business School

A Festival of Ideas to celebrate a decade of existence with the launch of a new research agenda that will deepen and extend our thinking about the urgent socio-technical and political challenges of our time.

**1.30 Registration**

**2.00 Welcome**

 Julia Kasmire, Research Fellow

**Opening discussion: the new research agenda in context**

Alan Warde, Professor of Sociology and Andy McMeekin, Professor of Innovation

Chair: Sherilyn MacGregor, Reader in Environmental Politics

**2.20 Social inequalities and the politics of sustainability**

Magid Magid, MEP (via video link) and Mahadi Hussein Sharif-Mahamed, Councillor for Moss Side

Chair: Sherilyn MacGregor, Reader in Environmental Politics

**2.50 Urban sustainability in the coming decades: what might it look like and how do we get there?**

Mike Hodson, Senior Research Fellow and Nissa Shahid, Urbanist, Connected Places Catapult

Chair: Julia Kasmire, Research Fellow

**3.20 Coffee Break**

**3.45 Social movements innovating for sustainability**

Mat Paterson, Professor of International Politics and Martine Postma, Founder of Repair Café Movement

Chair: Julia Kasmire, Research Fellow

**4.15 Circular economy for more sustainable and equitable consumption**

Helen Holmes, Lecturer and Corin Bell, Director of Open Kitchen MCR and Lead for Plastic Free GM

Mike Shaver, Professor of Polymer Science

Chair: Julia Kasmire, Research Fellow

**4.50 Closing remarks**

Frank Boons, SCI Director & Professor of Innovation & Sustainability

**5.00 Reception**