# Info Session



### Programme overview

- The RSA Mentorship Alliance is a cross-regional matchmaking programme for RSA Fellows located in Oceania and Scotland.
- The programme connects Fellows seeking support with personal or professional goals (the mentees) with Fellows who have resources, connections, and experience that they would like to share (the mentors).
- Fellows are matched based on mutual fit, and work together over the course of three months to meet their shared objectives.
- Each mentee-mentor pair will develop their own structure and expectations for the relationship, with a minimum time commitment of 6 hours over the 3 months (or half an hour per fortnight).
- In addition, pairs are required to join a group check-in call with the other program participants halfway through the programme and again at the end of the programme.

## **Timeline**

February	Registration opens 15 February
March	<ul> <li>Mentees paired with prospective mentors</li> <li>Peer learners matched</li> <li>Orientation call on Monday, I5 March</li> <li>Pairs meet to work out a schedule</li> </ul>
April	<ul> <li>Half-way check in on Monday, 26 April (mentee and mentor groups meet separately)</li> </ul>
May	Meetings continue between pairs
June	<ul> <li>Official close of programme</li> <li>Closing debrief on Monday, 7 June</li> </ul>



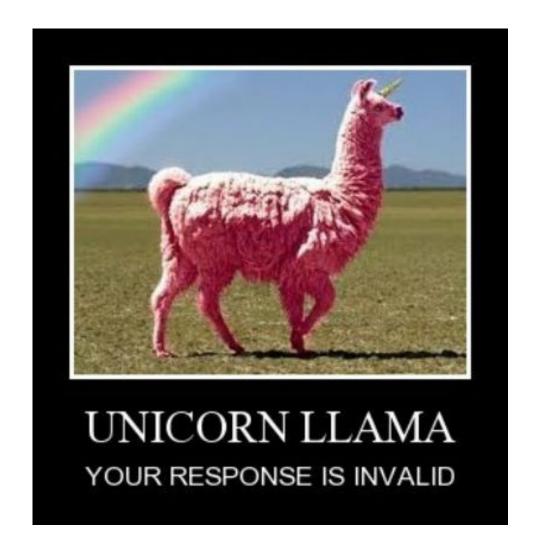
### Which role is for me?

#### A **Mentor** is someone who can:

- Offer professional support and guidance
- Provide constructive feedback on initiatives
- Identify risks and help develop solutions to challenges
- Transfer skills and knowledge

#### **Mentees** should:

- Be open to learning new skills
- Be receptive to receiving advice and feedback
- Be curious and motivated
- Be honest and open to self-reflection



### What if I just want to connect?

- If you haven't got a specific personal or career goal in mind and you aren't sure about being a mentor, you can still take part in the programme.
- We will pair you with another Fellow in a peer learning relationship. This is an opportunity to connect, share stories, and learn from each other.
- Some mentor-mentee relationships may naturally evolve to fit this category over the course of the programme -- just make sure both parties are ok with this.

## The pairing process

Step I	Fellows nominate to become mentors, mentees, or opt to be paired in a peer learning relationship (Fellows can nominate for more than one category).
Step 2	Mentors add their details to a Mentors' Database.
Step 3	Mentees choose 3 potential mentors from the Mentors' Database.
Step 4	Mentees conduct a brief vetting interview with potential mentors, then choose their preferred candidate.
Step 5	Peer learners are matched according to their interests and preferences, as outlined in their nomination form.
Step 6	Pairs meet for an initial orientation session; then conduct a provisional kick-off meeting.
Step 7	Programme commences.

## Questions?

# Thank you.

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