

# MDX Summer Research Festival 2023

Postgraduate Researchers' Summer Conference 2023 - Radically Creative: Research towards an Equal, Ethical, Inclusive and Sustainable Future | 4-5 July 2023

Knowledge into Action Lab: Global Challenge Initiative | 6-8 July 2023

Register for both events [HERE!](#)



POSTGRADUATE RESEARCHERS  
SUMMER CONFERENCE

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- How can I **register**?

You can register in Eventbrite using [THIS LINK](#). The registration is for both events (Summer Conference and KiA Lab and you can book a ticket as attendee or presenter for the Summer Conference, as attendee for the KiA Lab or as attendee in Dubai).

- **When** is the **Postgraduate Researchers' Summer Conference**?

The Conference will take place on **4 and 5 of July** 2023. Find out more in the [PRSC2023 page](#).

- **When** and **what** is the **KiA Lab**

The KiA Lab – Global Challenge Initiative will take place on **6-8 of July**, immediately after the Postgraduate Researchers' Summer Conference. The KiA Lab is an event designed and led by the Chair for Postgraduate Research, Prof Vida Midgelow, the Theme Directors and our colleagues in Middlesex Dubai. The aim of the event is to bring together researchers of all levels (research students, early career researchers and supervisors) to use the knowledge from their research in application to global current problems. There will be prominent external speakers who will set provocations at the start of the event, delivering the problems that attendees will then work in small groups to address, and inspiration talks will be delivered setting the tone for the proceedings. There will also be workshops and guided small-group working slots and many opportunities to network, socialise with other researchers and colleagues.

- What is the **MDX Summer Research Festival** and what will you gain from attending?

The MDX Summer Research Festival is an event established in 2023, transforming our traditional Research Summer Conference, into a week dedicated to research that will offer attendees a space to exchange knowledge and practice, applicable to real world problems. It is envisaged as a space for knowledge exchange and collaboration, where figures of the public space working in fields that interest deeply Middlesex researchers, will share their experiences and insights from their work, encouraging researchers to think ahead, change perspective, examine and reflect on how their work creates impact in society and the world. The Summer Festival consists of the

Postgraduate Researchers' Summer Conference and the Global Challenge Initiative: Knowledge into Action Lab.

- **Accommodation** options for participants:  
Rooms in the **Halls of Residence** are available for the Summer Festival attendees to book, subject to availability. You can [BOOK HERE](#).  
For **local hotels**, please [check the information at the end of the FAQs sheet](#).
- **Parking and accessibility requirements**  
For parking requests and accessibility requirements please contact [Nicola Skinner](#).
- **MDX general info and contact details**  
Please visit the [MDX website](#) for information about the University.  
Switchboard contact number: 0208 411 5000  
Address: Middlesex University, The Burroughs. Hendon. London NW4 4BT
- **Getting to Middlesex, Hendon campus**  
You can [refer to the campus pocket map](#) to find things around campus and more information is [available in the webpage](#).
- Can I **present remotely**?  
We encourage researchers who are presenting in the Summer Conference to attend and present in person this year to strengthen again the spirit of the live Conference. Exceptionally, researchers who cannot attend in person (mainly because they live and study abroad, our colleagues and students from our overseas campuses and partners) will be able to join remotely (live, via zoom or other conferencing platform, details to be confirmed).
- Can I **participate remotely**?  
We aim to livestream the keynote addresses and plenary sessions to the extent possible for each event. The parallel sessions and workshops will not be accessible to the audience remotely.
- What are the different types of participation in the Conference:
  - **Individual Paper Presentation** – this is an oral presentation of 15-20 minutes followed by discussion and usually accompanied by a visual aid (most commonly PowerPoint slides or PDF, or other presentation software).
  - **Poster** – an A1 size poster which is printed and mounted on the designated area on campus (alternatively presented online in an appropriate format).
  - **Self-organised Symposium** – a discussion panel on a common topic that is organised by the participants initiative.
  - **Performance** – presentation of artistic or other type of work through live performing; with the consent of the attendees it can be participatory.
  - **Video screening** with commentary.

- **Pre-recorded presentation** if unable to attend (approved by your supervisory team) – this type can also be used in case of exceptional unforeseen circumstances, if a participant cannot attend the conference at the designated time and wish to present their work.

- What is the **theme** of the Conference?

This year the Summer Conference theme is ***Radically Creative: Research towards an Equal, Ethical, Inclusive and Sustainable Future***. From the Conference welcome message: "...we invite our postgraduate researcher community to come together in celebration of the potential that research holds to make a difference. Our MDX research community is united by a commitment to generate knowledge that contributes towards fairer, healthier, more prosperous, and sustainable societies. Radical creativity plays a significant role in achieving this goal.... [This year's theme] provides a rich 'somewhere' to collectively dwell upon the potential for research to be bold, creative and impactful". The theme serves to provide a central focus to the Conference, a common topic for all presentations.

- Where can I access **support for presenting at the Conference**?

There is training available for preparing an abstract, preparing a poster and delivering presentations. Links to recordings or to book for upcoming sessions, are [available in the Participants' Hub](#).

If you have further questions, you are welcome to email the Conference Chairs, Prof Jayne Osgood, [j.osgood@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:j.osgood@mdx.ac.uk) and Dr Tuan Le, [t.le@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:t.le@mdx.ac.uk) or Admin Support, Sofia Atsopardi, [s.atsopardi@mdx.ac.uk](mailto:s.atsopardi@mdx.ac.uk).

- **What happens after I submit** my abstract?

Your abstract will be reviewed by academics in each subject area and you will hear back from them by the end of May. You will receive feedback on your submission, and in particular if your abstract is rejected. Depending on the quality of your work, the reviewers might recommend that you participate with a different type, e.g. from oral presentation to poster or vice-versa. Your allocated time within the Conference will be announced closer to the date of the event when the programme is confirmed.

- How will I participate in the KiA Lab? Do I need to prepare?

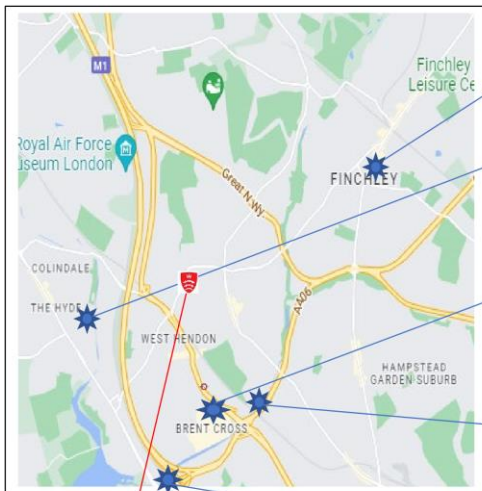
You are not expected to prepare ahead of the KiA Lab, but come ready to share your knowledge, experience and ideas, to meet new colleagues and form meaningful connections, to challenge your preconceptions and broaden your perspective through interdisciplinary work.

- **Who** is the KiA Lab for?

We encourage researchers of all levels, postgraduate research students, early career researchers and experienced supervisors and professors to join the event. This will be a collaborative space for research exchange and researchers

from all faculties at Middlesex and our collaborative partners are warmly invited to participate.

## Hotels near Middlesex University



**We are here**  
Middlesex University,

**Travelodge London Finchley**  
4-star hotel  
Winston House, 2 Dollis Park, London N3 1HF  
0871 559 1891  
From £115 pn approx



**Premier Inn London Hendon (The Hyde) hotel**  
3-star hotel  
Hyde House, London NW9 6LH  
0333 321 9324  
From £84.00 pn approx



**The Hide London**  
4-star hotel  
230 Hendon Way, London NW4 3NE  
020 8203 1670  
From £131.00 pn approx



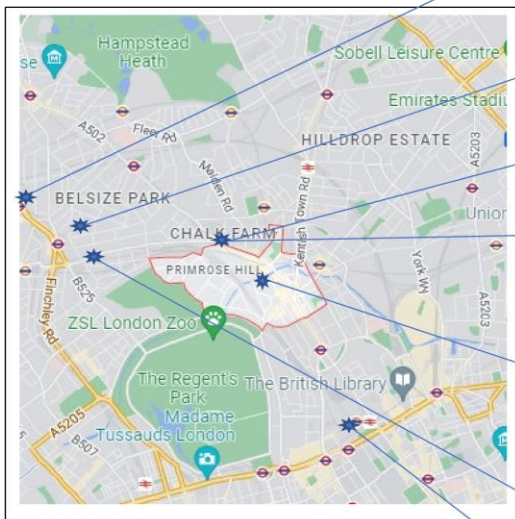
**The Pillar Hotel London**  
4-star hotel  
19 Brent St, London NW4 2EU  
020 8457 4000  
From £245.00 pn approx



**Travelodge London Brent Cross**  
Denmark House, Edgware Rd, London NW9 7BW  
08719846531  
From £96.00 pn approx



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**Hotel Quality Hampstead**  
3-star hotel  
5 Froggnal, London NW3 6AL  
020 7794 0101  
From £186 pn approx



**Best Western Swiss Cottage**  
3-star hotel  
4 Adamson Rd, Belsize Park, London NW3 3HP  
0207722281  
From £284 pn approx



**Selina Camden**  
2-star hotel  
89 Chalk Farm Road, London NW1 8AR  
07376 809248  
From £137 pn approx



**Camden Enterprise Hotel & Pub**  
4-star hotel  
2 Haverstock Hill, Chalk Farm, London NW3 2BL  
07935 502695  
From £257 pn approx



**Holiday Inn London Camden Lock**  
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30 Jamestown Rd, London NW1 7BY 020 7485 4343  
From £350 pn approx



**London Marriot Regents Park**  
4-star hotel  
King Henry's Rd, London NW3 3ST  
020 7722 7711  
From £376 pn approx



**Hilton London Euston**  
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