EQUALITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION STRATEGY 2023 - 2025

















FOSTERING **AN INCLUSIVE** CULTURE

OUTCOMES

- Annual culture survey shows all UKSI people feel psychologically safe, more included and valued in the workplace
- EDI Working Group input informs and shapes inclusive strategies
- More equitable outcomes achieved in the representation and progression of female, ethnically diverse staff and those with disabilities

- Work towards attainment of a new national equality standard and Disability Confident Employer status
- Consider whether **Employee Resource Groups** for underrepresented staff would be helpful
- Use the **EDI WG** to steer activity and monitor timely delivery of outcomes
- Seek to increase our equality data **disclosure rates** to above 80%





RECRUITMENT

OUTCOMES

- UKSI is an **employer of choice**
- Inclusive recruitment practices guarantee all talent an equal opportunity of selection and, in particular, deliver an increase in the number of new recruits with ethnically diverse backgrounds
- Candidates feel valued and supported throughout the process

- Undertake an end-to-end review of recruitment practices to identify and remove bias and barriers
- Restructure and update recruitment and selection training and mandate its completion by all hiring managers
- Advertise UKSI roles through different outlets to **reach new** audiences
- Collect **data** at every stage of the recruitment process to inform positive action initiatives



RETENTION, **DEVELOPMENT &** PROGRESSION

OUTCOMES

- Improved identification of diverse talent
- More diverse talent pipelines and succession plans that meet our progression targets
- Increase in the number of underrepresented staff gaining promotion or making lateral moves
- Improved diversity at **Senior Exec** and Heads of Department level

- Review all policies, procedures and processes in the employee life cycle for disadvantage
- Understand and take action to close our gender pay gap
- Use data to understand which people are progressing and whose careers are stalling
- Devise targeted, bespoke development opportunities to increase diversity in the succession pipelines for senior management



EDUCATION & COMMUNICATION

OUTCOMES

- EDI values and principles are embedded in all ways of working and in the planning and delivery of all UK Sport activity
- UKSI people have greater awareness of and empathy for all aspects of diversity in the workforce and more confidence to talk about issues of inclusion

- Embed EDI in **induction**, recruitment & selection, and all management training; use the new LMS system to target relevant training at staff
- Deliver a **communications plan** that raises awareness of and celebrates diversity; reports updates from the EDI Working Group; publicises EDI initiatives and internal priorities and socialises UKSI people's lived experiences
- Create an **EDI resource hub** on the intranet



MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTABILITY

OUTCOMES

- The UKSI Board composition better represents and reflects the diversity of UK society
- Board Diversity Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP) is fully embedded: progress against it regularly assessed
- EDI organisational plan regularly reviewed by Directors and demonstrates progress
- EDI Champions routinely challenge decision-making

- Achieve greater diversity of Board membership to better reflect UK Society
- Implement new **Board Diversity** & Inclusion Action Plan; review annually and publish outcomes
- Directors consider SMART personalEDI objective; role model inclusive leadership, inspire best practice EDI activity and support bespoke inclusion initiatives





