

# UoM Research Lifecycle Project

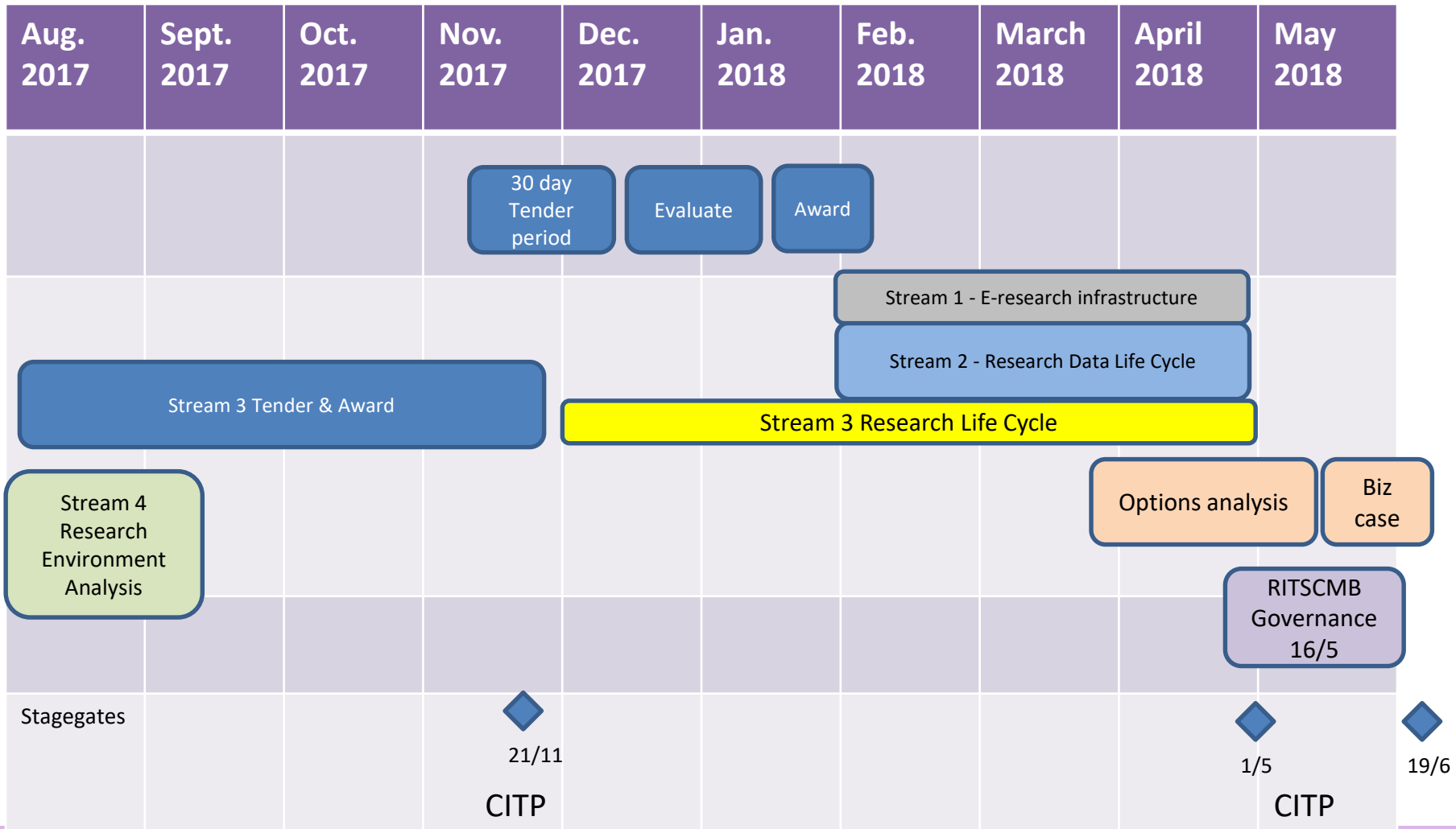
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The Research Lifecycle programme has being proposed to achieve the following high level outcomes:

1. Researchers will have research capabilities and support services to achieve the research goals set out in the 2020 Vision
2. Researchers will have the capabilities to achieve demonstrable compliance with UoM or funding body and regulatory authorities data management publishing policies
3. All of these capabilities will be brought together **in a single dashboard**
4. That the capabilities are integrated with the university's management reporting capability -> timely reporting
5. Joined up monitoring and planning processes -> proactive capacity management
6. Cost of delivering research centric services better understood -> reclaiming of these expenditures, via grant applications, is at appropriate levels

CITP have earmarked £15M over 5 years for these improvements to Research capability

# Scoping Project Timeline



The Administration of Research stream has had a very busy six weeks. 7 workshops were held, attended by 62 people, and interviews with 19 senior stake holders. Two more workshops are happening this week.

The workshops first attempted to describe the current state of the workshop focus and a look forward as how we want things to change in the future, and have had three different foci:

## **Research foundations**

The first focus was on eco-system of research within the university, looking at the various activities, culture, tools and resources needed for research to envisaged, supported gained and grown.

## Pre-award

The second focus was on how the administrative functions in the university work in a pre-award context in trying to support Researchers. The type of workshop looked at how administrative processes support researchers from idea inception to the stage of getting awarded funds to conducted research. Support for un-funded research was also considered.

The above two types of workshops have concluded and initial outputs have been created. If people are interested in having an early look at these outputs for information and most importantly comment they can contact the project to arrange for access.

## Post-award

The third type of workshops are underway with PA Consulting, who have been working with University colleagues on how the support systems work to manage funding, and what happens throughout the life of a project as it starts and closes

Streams 1 and 2 (e-Research Infrastructure and Research Data Management) started in earnest the second week of February and as such we have little to report as yet.

PA Consulting is in the process of arranging to meet with University colleagues to gather required information before they formulate their response.

Meetings are being arranged for this week and next and will be followed by workshops mid-March.

Special Interest Groups (SIG) workshops, covering areas such as HPC, medical requirements, big data, and so on will also be conducted during the next three weeks. Please get in touch with us if you are interested in participating in any of these workshops:  
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