

Summary Report for ARCHER Champions Workshop 2

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The second ARCHER Champions Workshop took place in Oxford (thanks to OeRC) in September and was a lunchtime-lunchtime one day meeting, including an evening meal.

There were 25 attendees, 10 of which had attended the first Champions workshop, and 3 bursaries were awarded to cover reasonable travel and accommodation costs.

There was an in-depth look at the eCSE activity, a session on the newly announced KNL system, and updates from other sites. Time for discussion sessions was included.

Topics Covered:

- HPC Service Provision for the UK
- GPU Provision
- KNL on ARCHER
- ARCHER SAFE Updates and Developments
- Outreach activities using Wee Archie as a focus
- Getting started on ARCHER
- More in-depth look at the eCSE activity

Outcomes:

- Good number of attendees with 10 repeat attendees (expand if possible in future)
- Feedback from the attendees (overall very positive)
- Discussion sessions went well (try to include more in future, one each half session)
- Champions making use of ARCHER Champions Project time
- Good to get more external contributors and plan to increase for Champions 3
- Look to monitor what Champions are doing
- Opportunity to engage with users and Tier-2 sites
- Slides were all placed on the Champions website
- Slack channel within RSE space was created
- Use of Champions email for Training and Tier 2 for local dissemination
- Next Champions event with HPC-SIG in Leeds in February with focus on Tier 2 and Training