

TOM HOCKADAY

UNIVERSITY – BUSINESS – RESEARCH – TECHNOLOGY – TRANSFER – INNOVATION – INVESTMENT

Tom Hockaday is an expert in university technology transfer and seed fund management, and a published author on these subjects. Tom is one of the leading figures in the world of university technology transfer and university-business interactions. He is a highly effective leader and manager, skilled in dealing with complex situations and divergent interests. He led the University of Oxford's Technology Transfer company from 2006 until March 2016, growing the business into a world leader in technology transfer. Since March 2016, Tom has set up Technology Transfer Innovation to manage his independent consulting activities in university technology transfer and seed fund management. His book 'University Technology Transfer - What It Is and How to Do It' was published by Johns Hopkins University Press in April 2020. In 2021 he co-founded Global Equality Diversity and Inclusion in Technology Transfer (GEDITT.com) to improve EDI in Technology Transfer

Specific Expertise

University technology transfer; intellectual property management; innovation management; early-stage investment finance; seed-fund management and governance; entrepreneurship; company growth, from research to market.

Book

'University Technology Transfer – What It Is and How to Do It' by Tom Hockaday.
Published by Johns Hopkins University Press, April 2020.

Employment History

2016 – present **Technology Transfer Innovation Ltd (Founder, Owner, Director)**

University Technology Transfer strategic consulting and Investment Fund advice, with clients in UK, European and International clients.

Current activities include:

Fonds National de la Recherche, JUMP Proof-of-Concept Programme, Luxembourg
SA SME University Technology Fund Investment Committee Chair, South Africa
Progress Tech Transfer Fund Investment Committee, Milan
BeAble Fund Investment Committee, Madrid

Completed projects and consulting engagements include:

Advising on university technology transfer strategies, systems and operations at university and national level; studies on knowledge transfer benchmarking and metrics.

2000 – 2016 **Oxford University Innovation Ltd (then called Isis Innovation Ltd)**

University of Oxford, UK

2006 – 2016 Chief Executive Officer

2009 – 2016 Chairman, Isis Innovation (Hong Kong) Ltd

2000 – 2016 Member, Investment Advisory Committee, Oxford University Challenge Seed Funds

1993 – 2000 Managing Director, Bristol Innovations, University of Bristol, UK

1989 – 1993 Projects Officer, UCLi Ltd, University College London, UK

Previous 'Non-Executive' Experience

University Pompeu Fabra Ventures, Advisory Board Member, Barcelona
Engineering & Physical Sciences Research Council - Strategic Advisory Network
Biotechnology & Biological Sciences Research Council – Advisory Board
InnovateUK (Technology Strategy Board) – Emerging Technology & Industry Strategy Group
Oxford Entrepreneurship Centre, Saïd Business School – Advisory Board Member
Oxford Ltd – Non-Executive Director (University brand licensing programme)
Chairman, Isis Innovation (Hong Kong) Ltd
Member, Investment Advisory Committee, Oxford University Challenge Seed Funds
UNICO – Chairman 2003 and Committee Member 2001-2005 (UK association for university technology transfer)
Praxis – founding committee member (UK training association, university technology transfer)

Extensive international experience

Invited keynotes & lectures, seminars, presentations, workshops, review panels, in:
Africa: Egypt, Morocco, South Africa
Americas: USA (Boston, Miami, Phoenix, San Antonio, San Francisco); Colombia, Chile, Mexico
Asia: Australia, China (15 visits), Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, Turkey
Europe: Bulgaria, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland
Middle East: Saudi Arabia, UAE, Oman

Education

King's College London - BA(hons) Geography
Winchester College, Hampshire and Dragon School, Oxford.

Interests

Walking – Oxfam Trailtrekkers (100km in 27 hours), Tour de Trigs (50 miles in 22 hours).
'La Cocina el Futur' by Pere Castells – invited to write Preface for this Barcelona publication.