

Annex 2 The North West Coastal Arc geography and partners

We bring together the complementary research strengths of ten regional universities, Lancaster, Liverpool (both members of the N8 partnership), Bangor, Chester, Cumbria, Edge Hill, Keele, Liverpool, John Moores (LMJU), Glyndwr and University of Central Lancashire (UCLAN) and other national research assets, together with Further Education (e.g. Lancashire's Energy HQ at Blackpool & The Fylde College, Myerscough College). Additional research capacity is delivered from the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (at Lancaster and Bangor) and the National Oceanographic Centre at Liverpool. The consortium also includes all regional LEPs, the North Wales Economic Ambition Board, our strong regional communities of eco-innovative SMEs and large industry players with international reach, including Unilever and the Aerospace Alliance.