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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

I hope you've had a lovely Summer. I spent a week on the Welsh border near the Black Hill in Shropshire. *On the Black Hill* by Bruce Chatwin is one of my favourite books so this trip was something of a pilgrimage. I even think I saw dear Bruce's ghost, he was driving a Landrover along a country lane looking thoughtful. Good ol' Bruce!

New Interdisciplinary Grant Opportunity:

https://www.ukri.org/opportunity/explore-peoples-relationships-with-digital-technologies/

This is a *pre-announcement* for networks to develop research about people's relationships with technology. Your network is expected to:

- generate insights on the relationships between people and technologies by carrying out and funding research
- build interdisciplinary capability
- bring people together across disciplines.

Please contact me if you're interested in applying--I will put be happy to put groups together and workshop your ideas with you.

ICS Events:

 Don't miss Kimposium! The Sequel this week, an online interdisciplinary symposium about all things Kardashian (including topics such as racial appropriation, new body ideals, birth, death, Opera (not Oprah), posthumanism and 'being digital'). https://www.brunel.ac.uk/research/Institutes/Institute-of-Communities-and-Society/Kimposium & Follow the Kimposium on Twitter



2. We will be running the first BrIL (Brunel Interdisciplinary Research Lab), starting 22 September, under the theme '21st Century Bodies'. Congratulations to the researchers who were selected to participate--we are thrilled to be including people from a very wide range of disciplines and from every career level. There will be more BrILs later in the academic year, so please keep them in mind for building interdisciplinary capacity and producing high-level interdisciplinary funding applications.

And...

Don't miss our own Bernadine Evaristo talking about her new book - https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m000z9bi

All best,
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