

## CAWCS Mission Statement

### Our Vision

To be a world-leading research centre for Welsh and Celtic Studies that makes a distinctive contribution to the national life of Wales and fosters relations between Celtic cultures

### Our Mission

CAWCS aims to:

1. **Develop understanding of Celtic cultures** by maintaining programmes of innovative research and engaging a wide public with its discoveries
2. **Support the public, educators, policy makers and the media, as well as specialists**, by making available authoritative resources and expertise about Celtic Studies and the Welsh language
3. **Promote the vitality of the Welsh language** by examining its development, defining its standards, and promoting its use as a medium for scholarship and intellectual discussion
4. **Develop future generations of expertise in Welsh and Celtic Studies** by contributing to undergraduate courses, training postgraduates and providing post-doctoral research opportunities, independently and in partnership with institutions worldwide
5. **Build stronger relationships between Celtic cultures internationally** by forging partnerships, attracting high-calibre students, disseminating research and stimulating interactions

### Our Strategy

We achieve our aims by:

- Running long-term collaborative research projects on the languages, literatures, culture and history of Wales and the other Celtic countries
- Collaborating with other academic institutions and public bodies in our country and internationally
- Publishing our work in print and online in the two languages of Wales and other languages
- Organising conferences and other public events in Wales and presenting our work throughout the world
- Providing *Geiriadur Prifysgol Cymru*, *The Dictionary of Welsh Biography*, *Wales 1900* (place-name database), *AEMAP* (Bronze Age language and archaeology database), *Gutorglyn.net* and other electronic resources freely online
- Developing a strong, diverse and sustainable funding base for our activities
- Recruiting, developing and retaining high calibre staff
- Ensuring that we work effectively and maximise value for the public and private money invested in our work