Welcome
Welcome to the BCS Berkshire branch newsletter for March 2021. Please note that, due to the coronavirus pandemic, all our face-to-face events have been postponed until further notice. There are, however, some online IT events which may be of interest to you.

Online IT Events
The following are some online events happening in the next few months. Feel free to join and stay safe:

➢ Every year BCS Berkshire co-sponsors the Great Debate as our contribution to British Science Week. This year’s topic: Future Challenges for the Water Supply. 10th March, 7pm. Booking link: [https://www.ice.org.uk/events/great-debate-water-supply-online](https://www.ice.org.uk/events/great-debate-water-supply-online). When registering, please indicate that you are a BCS member in the “Special Requirements” box.

➢ Reading Geek Nights Virtual Talk & Pub Quiz Evening – Tuesday, March 9th, 7-9 PM. Talk followed by a Pub Quiz. Everyone welcome. For details and the Zoom link for the event please [register here](https://www.ice.org.uk/events/great-debate-water-supply-online) or visit their website and Social Tech meetup pages.

You are reminded that [our committee meetings](https://www.ice.org.uk/events/great-debate-water-supply-online) are open to all. Please remember to like the [BCS Berkshire Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/BCS.Berkshire), follow us on twitter @BCSberkshire and join the BCS Berkshire LinkedIn group. Since our last newsletter, we have posted some content on our [YouTube channel](https://www.youtube.com) and [Past Events page](https://www.ice.org.uk/past-events).

For the up to date list of BCS events please check the [BCS Event listing](https://www.ice.org.uk/events) and for Thames Valley AIHUB events check [Meetup](https://www.meetup.com).

Volunteering
Promoting a Volunteering Culture
BCS Berkshire would like to encourage members to help make IT good for society by taking up volunteering opportunities available in the region. Have a look at our [website](https://www.bcs.org.uk) for current volunteering opportunities or email us at volunteering.berkshire@bcs.org.uk if you represent, or know of an organisation that needs help, or have any other suggestions.

Running own events
BCS Berkshire would like to invite members who want to showcase their projects or run their own events to contact events.berkshire@bcs.org.uk.