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Media Release

RUH doctor to take key role in TEDxBath event

Dr Andy Georgiou, consultant in anaesthesia and intensive care medicine at the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust, will take to the stage at TedxBath's event later this month.

Dr Georgiou, a former Director of Intensive Care at the RUH, will talk about his experience of working in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit at the height of the Covid pandemic.

The two-day event, titled Inter-Connected 2021, will explore how communities can thrive though local and global inter-connections and topics for discussion will include healthcare in the face of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Dr Georgiou said: "It's a real honour to be invited to talk at such a high-profile event, alongside such an impressive line-up of speakers.

"I'll be talking about the challenges that the intensive care community faced both locally in the RUH and across the UK at the height of the Covid pandemic and how we learned to tackle this devastating disease.

"The pandemic has brought the NHS unprecedented challenges never faced before and I will share some of our experiences and celebrate the work of the RUH's incredible staff."

The online event, which takes place on 18 and 19 November, will hear from 12 speakers in total, including former Chief Interpreter for the UN, Ewandro Magalhaes and international economist and best-selling author Kate Raworth. Dr Georgiou will be speaking on 19 November.



For more information about the event and to buy tickets go to <u>TEDxBath Inter-Connected</u> 2021 (ti.to)

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Notes to Editor:

The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.

The Trust provides 759 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

In 2015 The Royal United Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases (RNHRD) NHS Foundation Trust. The RNHRD treats patients from across the country offering services in rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME, cancer related fatigue and fatigue linked to other long term conditions such as multiple sclerosis.

The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust has opened the purpose-built RNHRD and Brownsword Therapies Centre and is now working towards the new Dyson Cancer Centre. For more details visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit_for_the_future

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk

