Time Allocation: Balancing Research, Teaching, and Service

Jeff Kramer

Department of Computing
Imperial College
London
What is life going to be like?

Busy!
Busy!
Busy!
Busy!
Busy!
Research

• **Good research**
  - Short term benefits
  - Long term foundations
  - collaborate?

• Putting yourself about
  - conferences
  - workshops
  - visits
  - organizing committees

• Problems:
  - Can never do enough
  - Open-ended

Reserve time!
Teaching

• **Good teaching**
  - Don’t start from scratch
  - Do give it personal touch
  - Short term response
  - Long term research benefits

• Don’t neglect it!
Service

- Attending meetings
- Being a good reviewer
- Being a good committee member
- Multiculturalism/internationalism
- Mutual support
  - Letters, recommendations, advice

Yes, yes, yes
Hygiene

- **Professionalism**
- Be selective
  
  *Choose* what you do carefully
- Keep all the balls in the air
- Quality rather than quantity
- Enjoy it!
Discussion

How do you think you are going to organise your time?