



Why exhibit at Venturefest South's Festival of Innovation?

The Festival of Innovation is the South's flagship innovation and business growth event, convening the full business ecosystem, from founders and growth leaders through to investors, corporates and public sector decision-makers, across high growth sectors including Ocean Science, Marine & Maritime, Life Sciences and Health, Creative Industries and Gaming, Defence, Security, Space and Sustainable Innovation.

Exhibiting places your organisation at the heart of a highly curated ecosystem focused on commercial collaboration, leadership insight and supply chain opportunity. The event is designed to move beyond early-stage ideas and into practical growth, investment readiness and partnership building.

As an exhibitor, you don't just get visibility, you gain meaningful access to the people shaping the region's growth agenda.

Key benefits of exhibiting

For established SMEs and scaling businesses, exhibiting at Venturefest South offers a powerful platform to connect with investors, buyers, innovation partners and sector leaders in one place. The event attracts organisations actively seeking new suppliers, collaborators and solutions, making it a highly effective environment for business development. Leadership focused content and peer level networking ensure conversations go beyond early-stage funding and into strategy, expansion and long-term growth.

- Direct access to senior leaders and decision-makers from established SMEs, scale-ups, corporates and public bodies
- High value cross sector networking
- Proximity to investors, buyers and supply-chain partners actively looking for collaborations and solutions
- Engagement with content focused on leadership, strategy and scaling, not just start-ups
- Brand alignment with the South's biggest innovation and economic development platform



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Designed for scaling and established businesses

Businesses that are:

- Scaling operations or entering new markets
- Seeking investment or strategic partners
- Looking to access new supply chains
- Interested in leadership insight and peer-level discussion

The programme focuses on real-world growth challenges, from leadership and organisational development to commercialisation, collaboration and innovation adoption.

Who you'll meet

- CEOs, founders and leadership teams of scaling businesses
- Investors and innovation funders
- Universities, R&D organisations and innovation hubs
- Public-sector, economic development and place-making leaders
- Innovators and entrepreneurs with commercially relevant ideas, technologies and solutions seeking strategic partners to scale and grow

A strategic presence, not just a stand

Exhibitor spaces at Venturefest South are designed to support high-quality conversations, not footfall for footfall's sake. Whether your objective is lead generation, partnership building, inward investment or brand positioning, exhibiting puts your organisation directly into the conversations shaping the South's future economy.

Exhibitor Type	Super Early Bird (ends 30/05/26)	Early Bird (ends 31/07/26)	General
Exhibitor (Standard)	£750	£850	£950
Exhibitor (Double)	£1,500	£1,750	£2,000
Outdoor Exhibitor	£650	£750	£850



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Not ready to exhibit? Bring your team to the Festival of Innovation to see what it's all about and get a 20% discount when purchasing 8 or more tickets.

Ticket Type	Super Early Bird (ends 30/05/26)	Early Bird (ends 31/07/26)	General
General	£35	£55	£75

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