



Message from our Centre Director

The National Drug and Alcohol Research Strategy 2024- 2027 reflects our current strengths, areas for development, and future actions. Since our establishment in 1986, NDARC has continually evolved and gained relevance as problematic alcohol and other drug use continues to impact us all.

Professor Michael Farrell
NDARC Director



Professor Michael Farrell FRCP FRCPsych has been the Director of NDARC since 2011. Before that, he was a Professor of Addiction Psychiatry at the Institute of Psychiatry at Kings College London. His extensive research interests include treatment evaluation and



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Dr Alys Havard is an Associate Professor at NDARC and in UNSW Sydney's School of Population Health. She is also Deputy Director of NDARC. She specialises in using big data for alcohol and other drugs research.



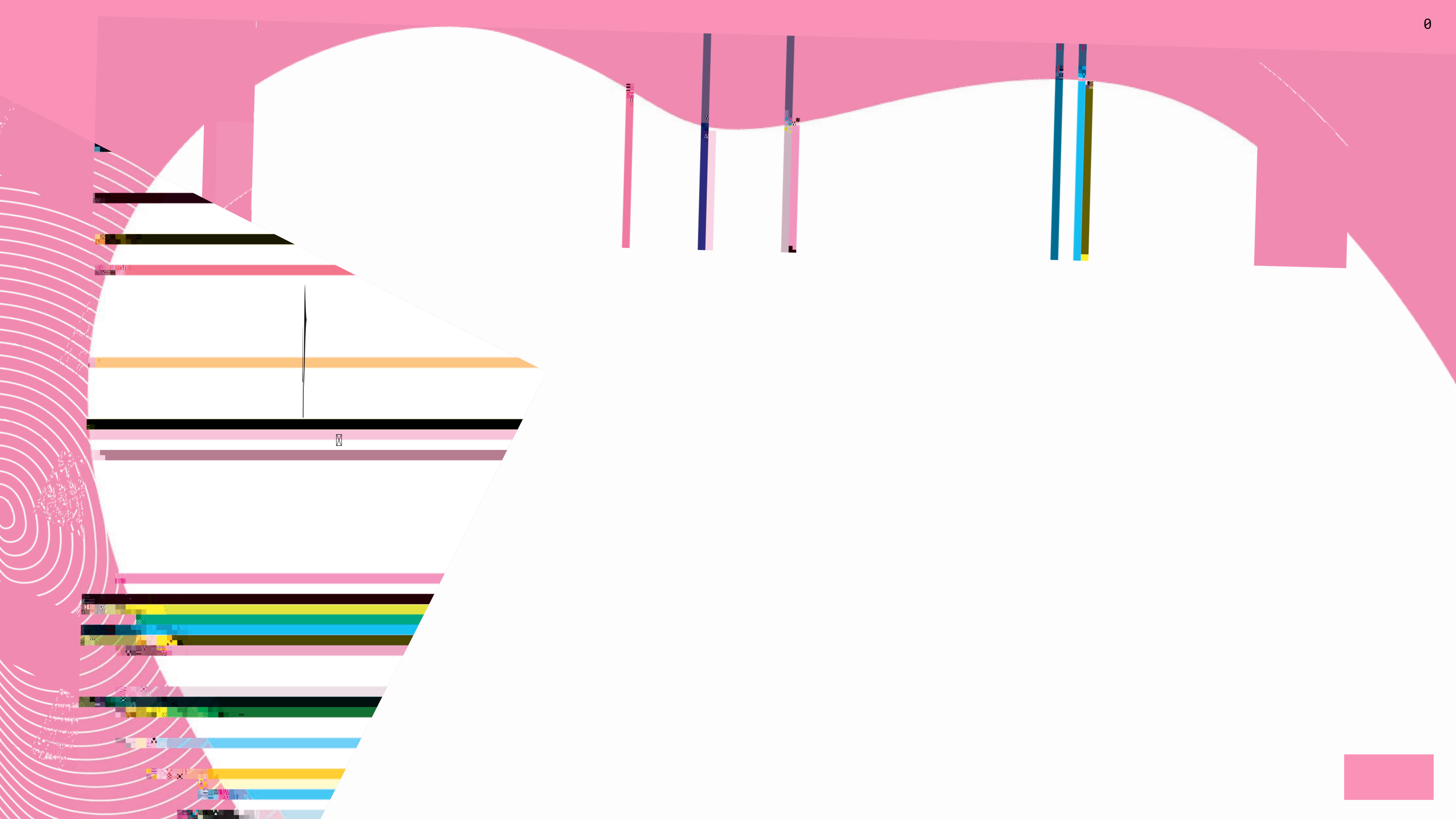
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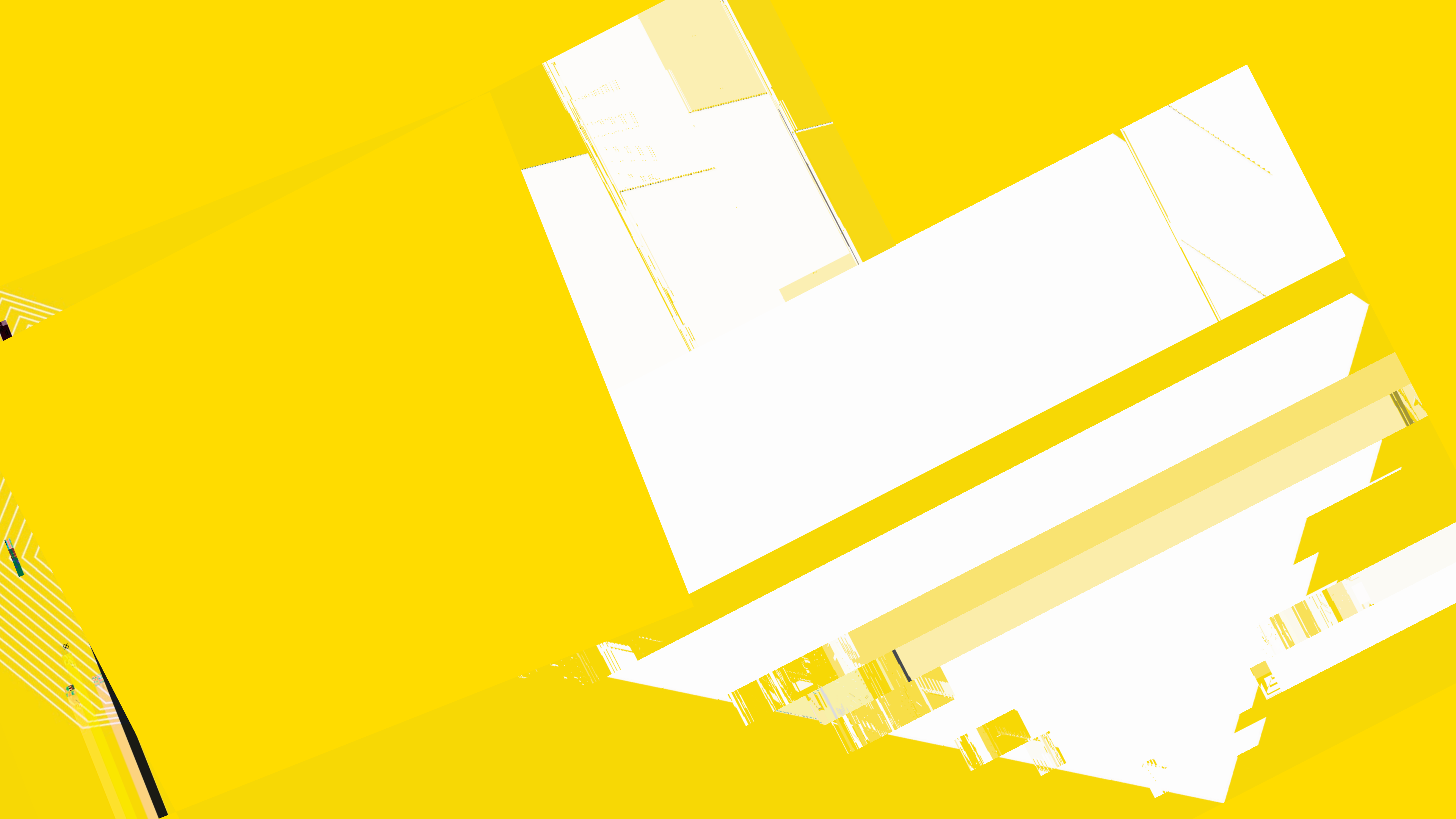
Professor Mel Miller is Chair of NDARC's Advisory Board and brings decades of experience in the Australian health system, with emphasis on the alcohol and other drug sector. She has vast clinical and organisational psychology expertise and is now a Partner at Deloitte. She remains an Adjunct Professor of Psychology at the University of Queensland and a Professor in the Health Group at Griffith University. Professor Miller has been a Member of the Advisory Board for many years but became Chair in 2023.



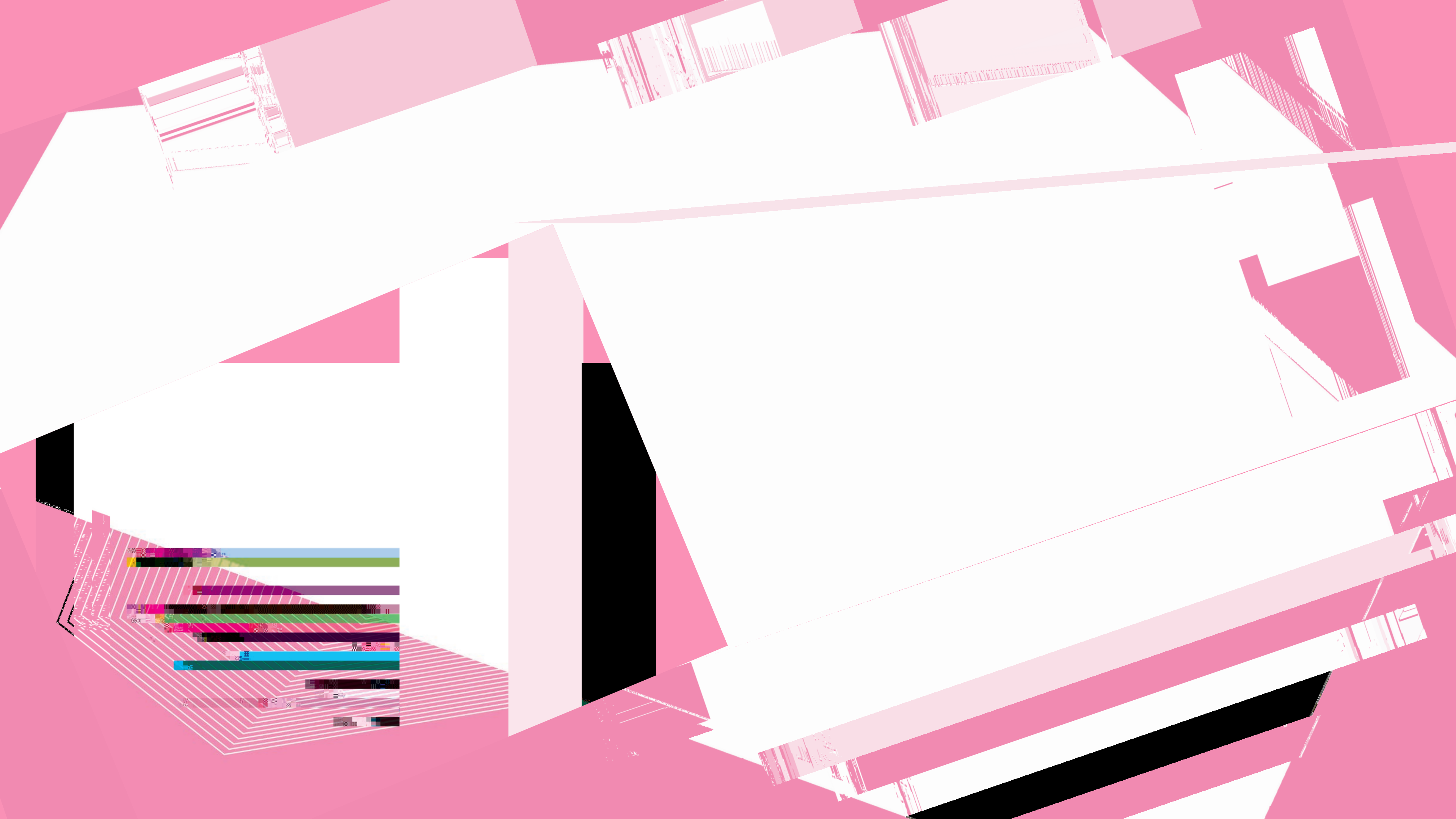










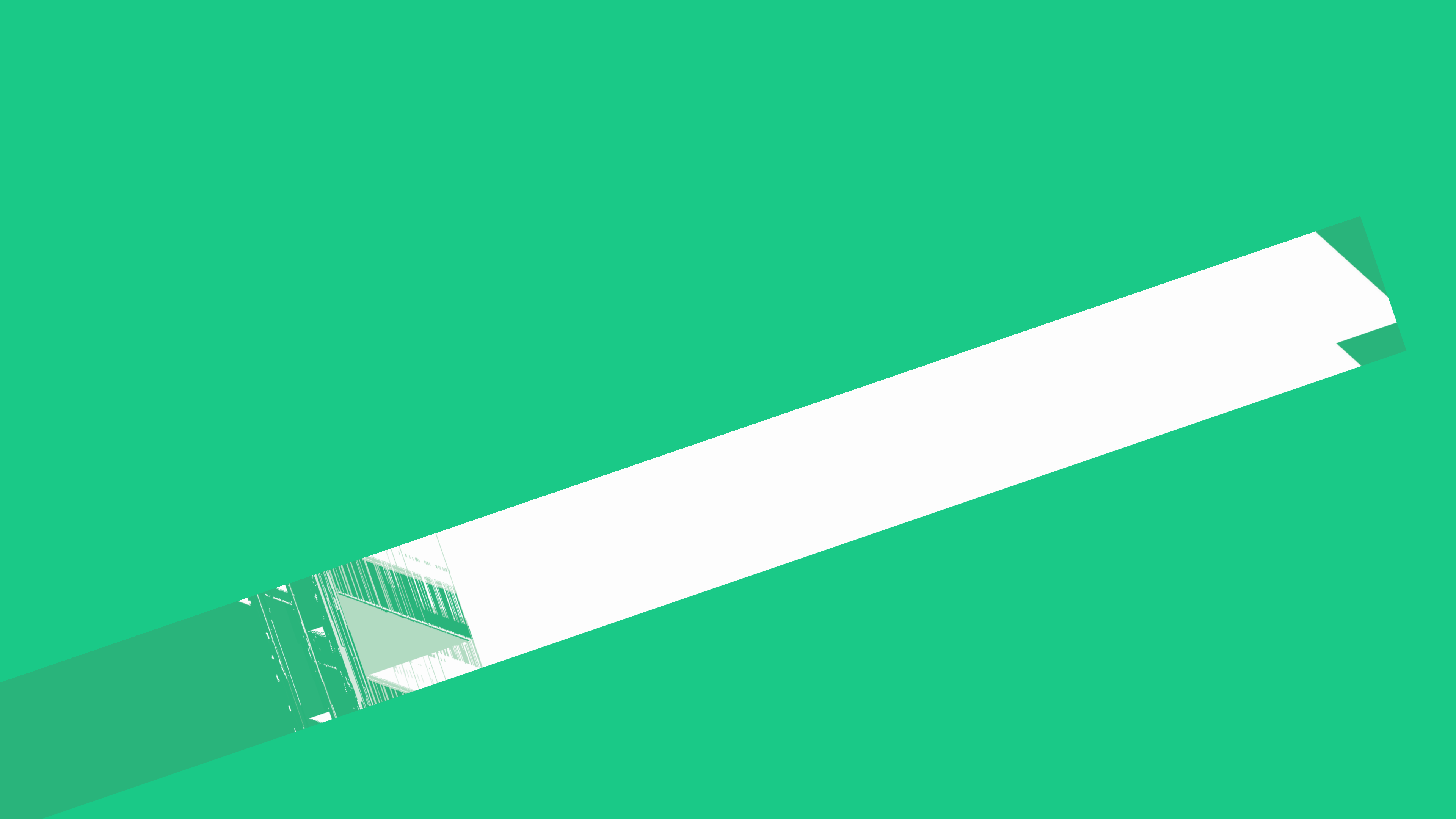




Priority actions

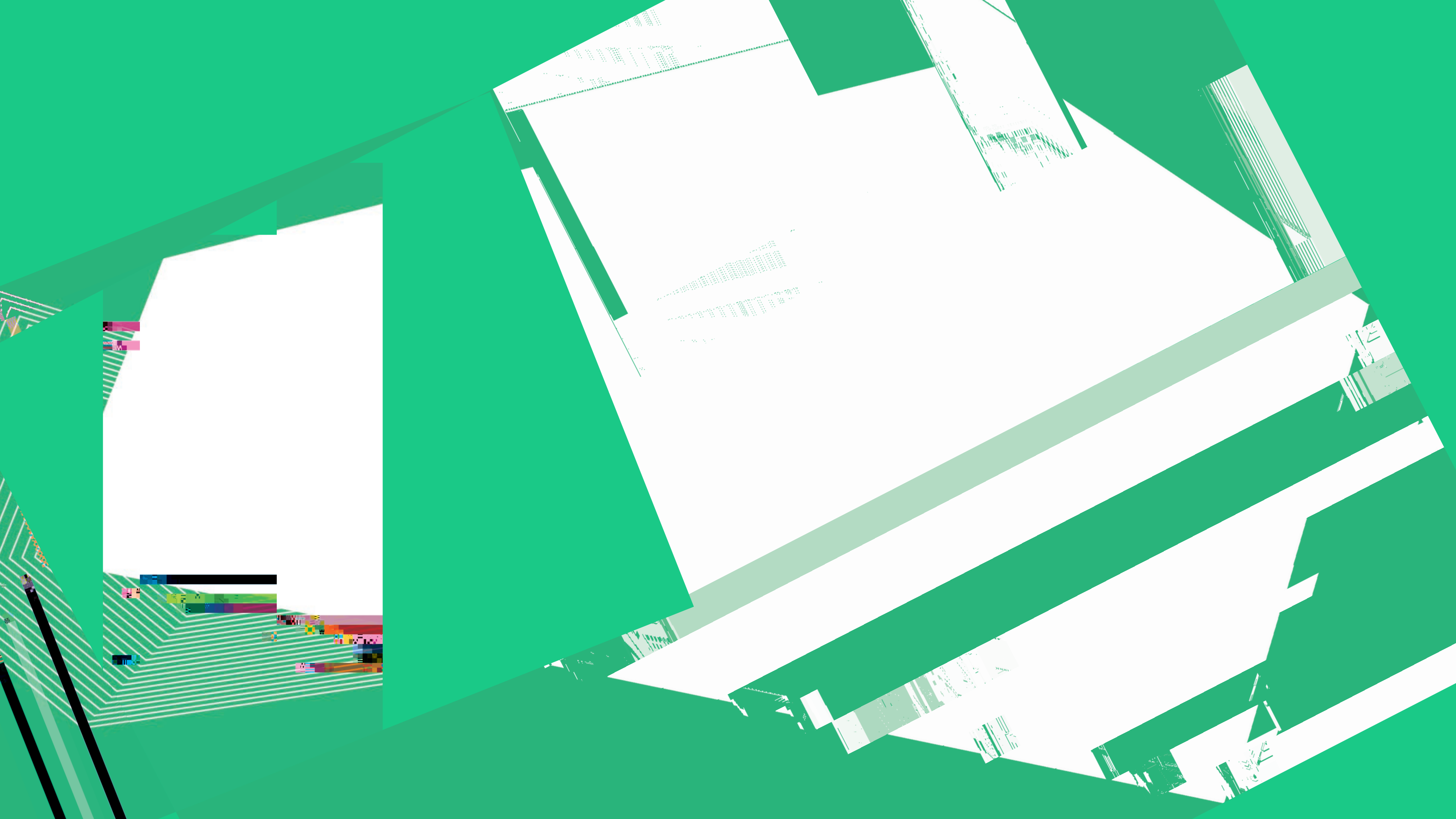
- Build strategic national and international research alliances with those from key relevant disciplines (e.g., health economics, legal, and policy) to broaden the scope of evaluation
- Employ a range of research methodologies to ensure accuracy, excellence, depth, and reach of data collection
- Orientate evaluation toward establishing the best health outcomes and harm minimisation for people who use alcohol and other drugs
- Employ methods and approaches to minimise bias, stigma, and discrimination in evaluation







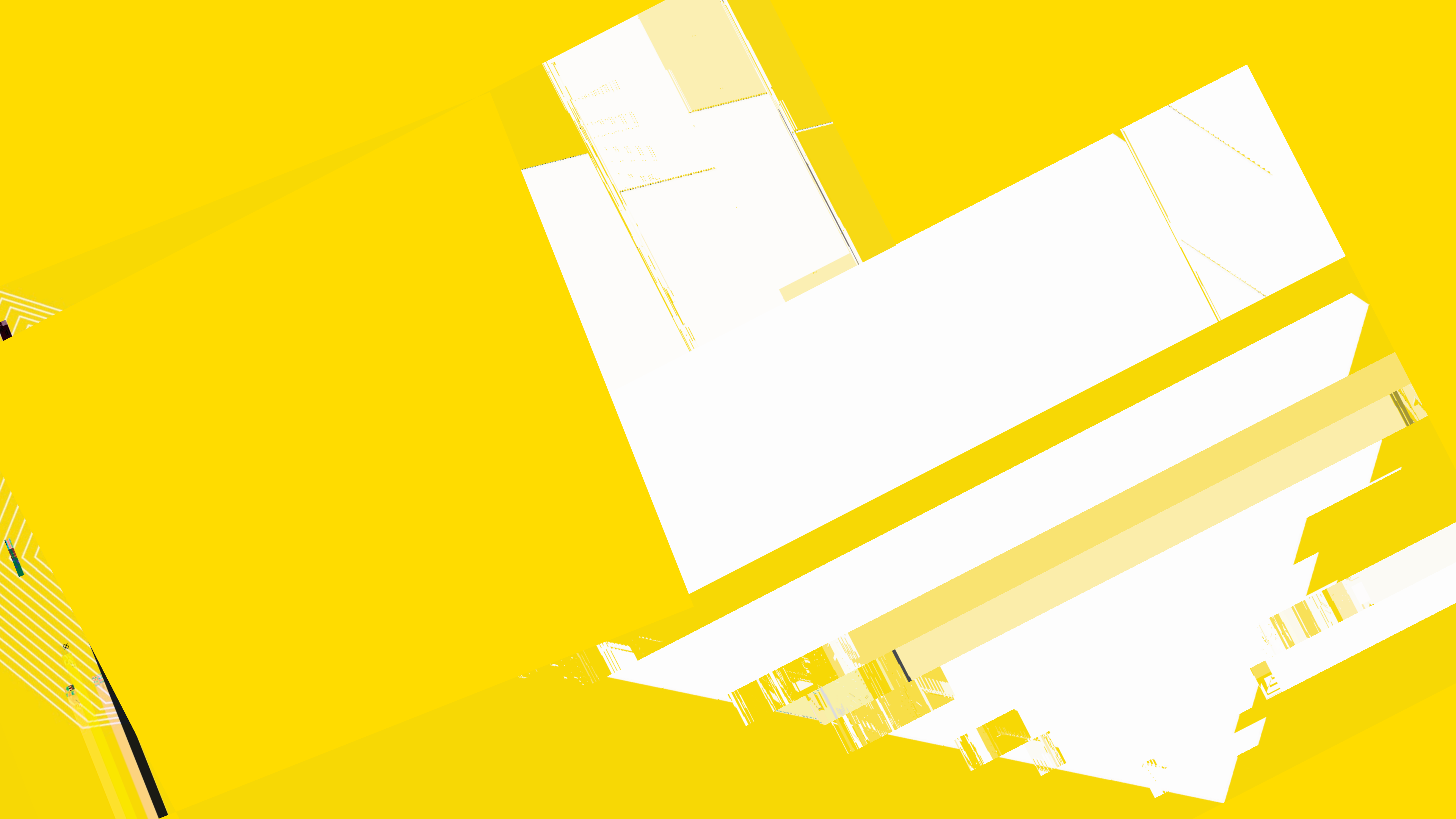












Into 2025

In 2025, NDARC will move into the UNSW Health Translation Hub of the Randwick Health and Innovation Precinct (Sydney, NSW). This state-of-the-art health complex provides NDARC with further opportunities to engage closely with medical researchers, clinicians, academics, industry partners, and public health officials working within the neuroscience, mental health, and addiction fields. This proximity will support the rapid translation of our research, educ

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