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Welcome

Just over a year on from the publication of Scotland's Flood Resilience Strategy, our 2026 Conference provides an opportunity to hear the latest in how Scotland is working towards a flood resilient future and to collectively shape what comes next.

The conference sub-themes reflect those of the Strategy – Place, People and Process.

Through a mix of plenary and breakout sessions, we'll share learning and successes and explore how we can raise our ambitions to make even more progress.



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We have a few questions we'd like to explore, and as you take part in the conference, we'd love to hear your reflections. We'll bring these together in our conference reporting.

What success stories can we build on as we strengthen Scotland's flood resilience?

What more needs to happen to ensure Scotland becomes truly flood resilient?

What actions will you or your organisation do more of or do differently as a result?

What was your standout 'moment of joy' for flood resilience during the conference?



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Welcome to the Flood Resilience Conference 2026, both here at Dynamic Earth and joining us online.

Just over a year on from the publication of Scotland's first National Flood Resilience Strategy, this conference comes at an important moment. Across Scotland, we are moving from setting direction to taking action – learning what works, where progress is being made, and where we still need to push further to create a flood resilient future.

This year's conference is designed to support that shift. Over course of the conference, you'll hear from people working across policy, practice, research and communities, sharing real-world experience of implementing flood resilience on the ground. The programme brings together plenary sessions and a wide range of breakout discussions that explore success stories, challenges, tools and approaches – all grounded in the Strategy's core themes of People, Place and Process.

We are also reintroducing something that has been an important part of this conference in the past: space for reflection.

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Throughout the event, we'll be inviting you to consider a small number of questions – about progress, priorities and what comes next for flood resilience in Scotland. As you take part in sessions, speak with colleagues and reflect on what you've heard, we encourage you to share your thoughts. Your reflections will help shape our conference reporting and inform ongoing conversations beyond these two days.

Flood resilience is not delivered by one organisation, sector or solution. It is built through collaboration, learning and sustained action over time. This conference is a chance to connect across disciplines, learn from each other's experience, and raise our collective ambition for what is possible.

Thank you for being part of this year's conference. I hope you find the discussions stimulating, the connections valuable, and the space to reflect both useful and inspiring.

I wish you a very informative and engaging conference.

Jo Kerr
CEO, Verture



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Thanks

Thanks to the Flood Resilience Steering group, without whom we couldn't run such a full, well thought out event!

The 2025/26 steering are: **Sadiyah Rehman** (Scottish Government), **Ruth Flower** (SEPA), **Grant Vanson** (Edinburgh and Lothians Strategic Drainage Partnership), **Shona Sloan** (Scottish Flood Forum), **John Wright** (Mott MacDonald), **Pippa Lawton-Van Kuijk** (RPA Ltd), **Ben Cooper** (City of Edinburgh Council), **Will Burnish** (Moray Council), and **Susan Veitch** (The Highland Council).



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The conference would not have been possible without the kind support of our funders and sponsors. We would like to give a special thanks to the following organisations:

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The Environmental Quality and Resilience Division in the Scottish Government plays an active role in ensuring clean and healthy, air, land and water; regulation of chemicals and radioactive waste; and resilience against floods and coastal erosion.

The Scottish Government published Scotland's First Flood Resilience Strategy towards the end of 2024 which sets out what is needed to make our communities more flood resilient over coming decades. The scale of the challenge Scotland faces in response to climate change means that actions within the strategy are designed to extend beyond "fixing" individual

flooding problems and instead support a national strategic shift to creating flood resilient places and communities. The strategy puts people at the heart of the process and supports an increase in the range and rate of delivery of actions both to manage our flood exposure, and to reduce the impacts of flooding when it does occur.

Collaboration across the flooding community, and beyond, is needed to deliver the transformative approach set out in the Strategy.



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Insurers can place the flood risk element of domestic property insurance with us at a premium linked to property Council Tax bands. Flood Re sits in the background, with the purchase of the policy and the process of making a claim being unchanged.

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Day 1 | Sessions

09.00 – 09.30

 **Stratosphere**


Registration and refreshments

09.30 – 10:35

 **Biosphere**

Progress – plenary session

Welcome

 Jo Kerr (Verture)

 Welcome video from Ms Martin,
Cabinet Secretary for Climate Action and Energy

Policy and practice updates

 Kirstin Leath (Scottish Government)

 Catriona Laing (Scottish Government)

 Andrea Johnstonova (SEPA)

Plenary discussion and Q&A

10.35 – 11.05

 **Stratosphere**

Refreshment break

DAY 1





11.05 – 13:00

 **Biosphere**




Place (coastal) – plenary session

 **Chair: Ali Rennie (NatureScot)**




The science and the mapping

-  **Matt Palmer (Met Office)**
 -  **Lisa Harrison (SEPA)**
 -  **Will Burnish (Moray Council)**
 -  **Ruben Borsje (Haskoning)**
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Lessons learned from applying the CCAP guidance

-  **Abbie Jenkins (AtkinsRéalis)**
 -  **John Lavery (Mott MacDonald)**
 -  **Doug Pender (JBA Consulting)**
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Panel discussion

-  **Peter Woodward (Orkney Islands Council)**
-  **Scott Grieg (Ayrshire Roads Alliance)**
-  **Lee Watson (Aberdeenshire Council)**

13.00– 14.00

 **Stratosphere**

Networking Lunch

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DAY 1

13.45 – 15.00

Breakout Sessions


A | Property Flood Resilience

 **Biosphere**

 Chair – Kelly Ostler-Coyle (Flood Re)

 Jonathan Kassian (Flood Re)

 Shona Collins (West Lothian Council)

 Emily Christopherson-Smith (JBA Consulting)

 Paul Shaffer (CIWEM)

B | Public Service Reform: How to enable place-based delivery

 **Ozone**

 Hannah Swanson (Scottish Government)

 Tim Orr (Scottish Government)

 Nick Wilding (Scottish Government)

C | Community uptake of Nature-based Solutions

 **Salisbury**

 Esther Carmen (The James Hutton Institute)

D | Climate adaptation in land use decision-making

 Dr Kat Fradera (University of Glasgow)

 **Hutton**

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DAY 1

15.10 – 16:00

 **Biosphere**

Place (land-use) – plenary session

 Chair: Susan Veitch (The Highland Council)

The River Peffery Restoration Project

 Richard Lockett (Lockett Agri Environment)

A “flooding first” approach to make space for water

 John Wright (Mott Macdonald)

 Iain Lyon (City of Edinburgh Council)

Strathmartine Connections, Dundee

 Ujwala Fernandez (AtkinsRéalis)

Q&A

16:00 – 16:30

 **Stratosphere**

Refreshment break



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DAY 1

16.30 – 17.30

 **Biosphere**

Learning from Practice – plenary session

 **Chair: Peter Robinson (AECOM)**

The Union Canal Breach 2020 – a Domino Effect the consequence and lessons learned

 **Peter Robinson (AECOM)**

Improving flood resilience to Scotland's distilleries

 **David Cameron (JBA Consulting)**

Panel discussion on considerations for future land management, coastal challenges, planning and development.

 **NatureScot**

 **Larissa Naylor (University of Glasgow)**

 **Zoe Clelland (RSPB Scotland)**

 **Fiona Henderson (Glasgow Caledonian University)**



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DAY 1

17:30 – 19:00

 **Stratosphere**

Evening reception

**Please join us in the Stratosphere for
a networking reception sponsored
by Flood Re**



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Day 2 | Sessions

09.00 – 09.30

 **Stratosphere**

Registration and refreshments



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DAY 2

09.30 – 11.15

 **Stratosphere**

Engaging people – plenary session

 **Chair: Carol Raeburn (Scottish Flood Forum)**

Welcome and reflections from day 1

Community engagement at scale

 **Alex McDonald (COWI)**

Embedding flood resilience in placemaking and collaborative working

 **Clare Johnstone (TCV)**

Coastal Community engagement – Different times, Different people, Different issues – Difficult decisions

 **Greg Guthrie (Haskoning)**

Coastwise Graveyard Transition Options

 **Daisy Copping (RPA)**

Household Flood Plans in Scotland

 **Fiona Henderson (Glasgow Caledonian University)**

Reducing the mental health and wellbeing impacts of flooding

 **Rhian Thomas (University of Glasgow)**

Q&A

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DAY 2

11:15 – 11:45

Refreshment break  **Stratosphere**


11.45 –13.00

Breakout Sessions

E | Maximising Participation:  **Biosphere**
Removing Barriers to engagement, participation and consultation with diverse communities

 Marianne Scobie (Glasgow Disability Alliance)

 Karen Whyllie (Glasgow Disability Alliance)

F | “Floody Heck,” – simulating the decision-making processes of stakeholders in Scotland  **Salisbury**

 Andrew Tabas (Heriot Watt University)

G | New climate scenarios tool for assessing impacts on infrastructure  **Ozone**

 David Harkin (Network Rail)

 Chris White (University of Strathclyde)



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DAY 2

H | JA Prevent NCD Project: Place-Based Health Evaluation Using the Spanish Place Standard Tool After an Extreme Climate Event

📍 Hutton

👤 Ana Ocana

👤 Paloma Altozano Rodulfo

👤 Benedetta Prisciano

(The Foundation for the Promotion of Health and
Biomedical Research of the Valencian Community) 📍 Café

Open Space – Meet the Sponsors

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13.00 – 14.00

📍 Stratosphere

Networking Lunch



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DAY 2

14.00 – 15:00

Breakout Sessions

I | Working in collaboration to better flood resilience

 **Biosphere**

 Darren Eckford (CIWEM)

J | Template games for community engagement and public consultation

 **Salisbury**

 Agnessa Spanellis (University of Edinburgh)

K | Flood Cafés

 Bel Deering (Somerset Rivers Authority)

 **Ozone**

L | Open space for Early Career Professionals

 **Hutton**

 Ben Cooper (City of Edinburgh Council)

M | Communicating Sea Level Rise

 Rose Willoughby (Met Office)

 **Café**



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DAY 2

15.00 – 15.30

 **Stratosphere**

Refreshment Break

15.30 – 16.30

 **Biosphere**

Charting the way forward – plenary session

 Chair – Jo Kerr (Verture)

Developing stronger networks to create flood resilient communities and places

 Ben Twist (Culture for Climate Scotland)

Reflections from the Steering Group

Next steps, thanks and close

 Jo Kerr (Verture)



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Speakers

Speaker

Abbie Jenkins

AtkinsRéalis



Abbie Jenkins is an Assistant Marine Environmental Scientist at AtkinsRéalis who, in a short time with the company, has already contributed to a diverse portfolio of projects. She brings expertise in advising on marine and coastal projects across the UK, with a particular focus on marine consent and regulatory guidance. Abbie's work has included working on Coastal Change Adaptation Plans in Scotland to support local communities with the rising challenges posed by climate change. Abbie's contributions reflect a commitment to protecting marine environments and supporting communities in adapting to evolving coastal pressures. With her growing experience and dedication, she is establishing herself as a trusted member in the marine and coastal field. Outside of work, Abbie enjoys exploring the mountains near her hometown in Wales, staying active through her new passion for running, and rarely goes a day without a book or Kindle in hand.

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Speaker

Agnessa Spanellis

University of Edinburgh

Agnessa Spanellis is a Senior Lecturer of Systems Thinking at the University of Edinburgh, a director of Gamification and Systems Thinking Lab (GST-lab), a co-founder of Otter Intelligence, a web-application for conducting and analysing public consultations that are fun and engaging, a deputy director of Failure Modes of Engineering Network Plus (FeME): a network for future inclusivity, sustainability and global impact, and a member of the Research Centre for Business, Climate Change, and Sustainability (B-CCaS), leading research on gamification for social and environmental sustainability. The theme throughout her research work is gamification. She creates and studies gamified environments to explore complexity and interconnectedness in systems, and help decision-makers make better decisions.

Speaker

Alex McDonald



COWI

Alex is a Chartered Environmentalist with experience working across the fields of flood risk, climate adaptation, ecology, environmental assessment and partnerships. Before relocating to Scotland last year, Alex led the flood risk strategy & adaptation portfolio for the Environment Agency in the East Midlands. She was at the forefront of embedding natural flood management within the East Midlands and sat on the environment group for the Trent Regional Flood & Coastal Committee. She is an experienced media spokesperson and has appeared on local and national news representing the Environment Agency during flooding incidents. Working with local authorities, water companies and private business she has developed partnerships to support local communities at flood risk including through the recovery of major flood events in 2023 and 2024.

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Speaker

Ali Rennie

NatureScot



Dr Alistair Rennie manages the Scottish Government's Dynamic Coast project. As a coastal geomorphologist, he has researched the changes to Scotland's coastline for over twenty years, initially at the University of Glasgow and then at NatureScot. His research merges historical assessments alongside the latest surveying techniques to better manage future risks and support resilience and adaptation planning across Scotland. He has supervised several PhD students who are investigating the use of Earth Observation for coastal monitoring and erosion forecasting. Alistair provides advice to the Scottish Government, and supports its Coastal Change Adaptation Budget and Guidance Groups. He manages NatureScot's Geodiversity Group and holds an Honorary Research Fellowship at the University of Glasgow.

Speaker

Ana Ocaña Ortiz



Foundation for the Promotion of Health and Biomedical Research of the Valencian Community

Family and Community Nursing Specialist with a PhD in Public Health from the University of Valencia (Spain). She is a member of the ALES group (Local Action and Health Equity) at the FISABIO Foundation, where she has been involved in the development and application of participatory tools to assess healthy and health-promoting environments in community settings. Her work focuses on equity, participation and the creation of resilient environments, through close collaboration with local populations and Primary Care and community systems. These tools and approaches have been developed and implemented within the framework of several European initiatives, including the European project PST4YOUTH, the Joint Action on Health Equity (JAHEE) and the CIRCE-JA project.

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Speaker

Andrea Johnstonova



SEPA

Andrea is SEPA's FRM Regional Planning Manager working in partnership to produce SEPA's flood risk management plans. Alongside the FRM plans, she leads partner and stakeholder engagement work in the south region. Prior to working for SEPA, Andrea worked in the environmental NGO sector on water related policy and advocacy.

Speaker

Andrew Tabas

Heriot Watt University



Andrew Tabas is a fourth-year PhD student and Hydro Nation Scholar at Heriot-Watt University. His research focuses on understanding the barriers and enablers of Natural Flood Management (NFM) implementation at catchment scales. He is particularly interested in the potential of using serious games to explore decision-making in the face of uncertainty, build connections between stakeholders, and spark new ideas and solutions.

Speaker

Bel Deering

Somerset Rivers Authority



Bel works for Somerset Rivers Authority, helping communities across Somerset build resilience to flooding. She leads projects shaped by local need, including Flood Cafés, school workshops, emergency planning clinics, and collaborations with the county Library Service. Currently undertaking a research placement studying Flood Cafés, Bel champions creative engagement to widen participation. She would love to connect on any community engagement and resilience topics but also has a special interest around the intersection of flooding, graveyards and community impact.

Speaker

Ben Cooper

City of Edinburgh Council



Ben is a Senior Engineer at City of Edinburgh Council in the Flood Management Team. Ben has over 6 years experience, mostly in the private sector before recently moving into the public sector space. His role at CEC involves the operational and strategic delivery of flood management activities across the city. His skills honed in consultancy range from flood modelling, across optioneering and detailed design, through to project delivery. He is an advocate for nature-based solutions, helping deliver a large retrofit SuDS scheme and various river restoration designs across his career to date. Ben is a member of the Verture Flood Resilience Steering Group, as well as a STEM ambassador and is a keen believer of engaging the next generation of engineers, in order to better understand the critical challenges that the industry faces in the future, and the key concerns of early career professionals.

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Speaker

Ben Twist

Culture for Climate Scotland



Ben has been director of Culture for Climate Scotland since 2011 (when it was Creative Carbon Scotland). His experience combines 25 years of producing theatre and running cultural venues with an MSc in carbon management and a doctorate in applying complexity theory to social systems to bring about more sustainable social practices.

He has developed CCS into a leader in carbon management support and climate change adaptation for cultural organisations, and in developing culture's influencing role in addressing climate change. He is a regular speaker at UK and international events.

Speaker

Carol Raeburn

Scottish Flood Forum



Carol joined the Scottish Flood Forum in 2020. The SFF supports individuals and communities at risk of flooding. Qualifying as a solicitor she spent over 20 years as a solicitor in private practice with specialisms in agriculture, crofting conveyancing and mediation. Prior to joining the forum she spent over 15 years working in Resilience Education and Water Safety for young people for a national charity.

Speaker

Christopher White



University of Strathclyde

Professor Chris White is Head of the Centre for Water, Environment, Sustainability and Public Health at the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow. As a Professor in Climate Extremes and Resilience, his research quantifies and predicts complex cascading and interconnected multi-hazard risks across systems and critical infrastructure. His Engineering for Extremes research group focuses on hydrometeorological natural hazards, multi-hazards and risks, predictions and early warnings, climate risk management and climate resilience. He works to help address the challenges posed by these complex climatic risks—from influencing international and national policy to supporting critical national infrastructure owners and operators in reducing impacts and increasing resilience. He leads several projects and activities including the new ANTICIPATE European COST Action network CA24144 on extended-range multi-hazard predictions and early warnings (2025–29). He coordinated the multi-hazard interactions and cascading impacts work package of MEDiate (Multi-hazard and risk-informed system for enhanced local and regional disaster risk management) project (2022–25) and is a partner in the forthcoming TOGETHER (Towards enhanced coordination of disaster risk management and governance) project (2025–28), both funded by the Horizon Europe.

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Speaker

Clare Johnstone



TCV

As a Community Flood Resilience Officer, I have experience in developing partnerships and implementing strategies to reduce flood risk across Scotland. My work combines a strong background in biodiversity enhancement and community engagement, fostering connections between people and place to drive climate adaptation and resilience. A former teacher, I am passionate about empowering future generations and promoting local action that delivers meaningful, lasting impact.

Speaker

Daisy Copping

RPA Ltd

Daisy Copping is a Consultant at Risk & Policy Analysts (RPA) and has a Bachelors (Hons) degree in economics. Daisy works in the flooding and erosion business area at RPA and has developed a strong professional focus on flood and coastal erosion risk management. Daisy has delivered a wide range of FCERM projects for local authorities across England, supporting evidence-based decision making in complex and sensitive policy contexts.

Daisy's expertise lies in climate adaptation and resilience in flood and coastal management, with particular strengths in stakeholder engagement, co-production of resources, and translating technical analysis into accessible and actionable outputs.

Speaker

David Cameron



JBA Consulting

David is team leader of the JBA's Edinburgh hydrology team. The team support a wide range of operational hydrology issues spanning from low flows/water abstraction (notably for Scottish distilleries) to flood appraisal, forecasting and risk assessment studies including for Local Authorities, SEPA and private clients. This also includes supporting Local Authorities on planning and flooding decisions. David has a PhD from the University of Lancaster in flood estimation modelling, and a subsequent 25+ years operational hydrology experience. Prior to JBA, David held posts with the Environment Agency, SEPA and the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission.

Speaker

Darren Eckford



CIWEM

In his current role as Director of Learning and Organisational Development at the Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) Darren has been instrumental in shaping strategic initiatives that enhance collaboration, personal and professional development within the water and environmental sectors. Having spent his formative years in high performance sport, Darren utilised his experience with high performing teams and extensive coaching experience to spend a successful 10 years delivering purpose based leaders, teams and organisations across New Zealand, Australia, North America and Europe. With a strong commitment to fostering innovation and collaboration, through human-centric learning Darren continues to drive impactful change in environmental management and sustainability for CIWEM and its members.

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Speaker

David Harkin

Network Rail Scotland



David joined Network Rail Scotland in 2022 as their first Weather Resilience and Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Manager. David has responsibility for developing the organisation's strategic approach to managing the impacts of the changing climate and led on the development of their 5-year Climate Ready Plan (2024 to 2029). David is currently leading their Adaptation Pathways Programme – a multi-year initiative to develop weather and climate resilience plans for locations most vulnerable to the changing climate. David co-chairs the Climate Ready Infrastructure Scotland Forum – a collaboration of climate resilience professionals from over 20 infrastructure owners and operators in Scotland.

David began his career working for Historic Environment Scotland as their first Climate Scientist. Prior to that, David studied a BSc in Earth Sciences at the University of Glasgow, and an MSc in Geological and Environmental Hazards at Portsmouth University.

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Speaker

Douglas Pender



JBA Consulting

Doug is a Technical Director at JBA Consulting and Lead for the Marine and Coasts discipline. He is responsible for coordinating coastal management, modelling, and adaptation work streams across the business. With over a decade of experience delivering coastal projects in Scotland, Doug's work has spanned national flood hazard mapping, forecasting, adaptation planning, and numerical modelling to support engineering design and climate risk understanding. He collaborates widely with UK academic partners, supervising PhD research that integrates emerging monitoring techniques with numerical and data-driven modelling to explore the resilience of coastal systems over time. From this he develop and promotes innovative solutions to bring research to practice and improve decisions to support community and system resilience.

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Speaker

Dr Kat Fradera

University of Glasgow



Dr Kat Fradera is a research associate based within the School of Law at University of Glasgow. She has over 15 years' experience working in environmental consenting and planning and detailed working knowledge of environmental regulation across UK nations and across both terrestrial and marine spaces.

Kat's research explores spatial justice, environmental law and public participation in environmental decision making, with a current focus on climate adaptation in Scotland and the UK. Her research experience has provided her with an in-depth understanding of the importance of lawscapes for contextualising spatial decisions.

Kat is currently researching flood adaptation and climate resilience through a spatial justice lens, investigating how to implement adaptation planning pathways in Scotland. This work is being undertaken within the GALLANT (Glasgow as a Living Lab Accelerating Novel Transformation research project.

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Speaker

Dr Matt Palmer

The Met Office



Dr Matt Palmer is a Science Fellow at the Met Office Hadley Centre and Associate Professor in Climate Science at the University of Bristol. His expertise includes observations and projections of sea level change, Earth's energy budget and climate modelling. Matt led the sea level work for the UK National Climate Projections (UKCP18) that included development of pioneering multi-century sea-level projections in response to stakeholder needs. He has worked on a variety of international projects providing sea level projections and observational analysis for other parts of the world. Matt was a Lead Author on the latest Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change report (IPCC AR6) where his contributions included leading the assessment of the global energy and sea level budgets. In 2024, Matt was appointed as Joint Director of the UK National Climate Science Partnership, an initiative that aims to harness UK climate science capability to inform national and international climate solutions.

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Speaker

Dr Rhian Thomas

University of Glasgow

Dr Rhian Thomas is a senior lecturer in Physical Geography and Freshwater Science at the School of Geographical & Earth Sciences, University of Glasgow. Her interdisciplinary research focuses on fluvial processes, interactions between hydrology, geomorphology and ecology, river restoration and the social impacts of climate extremes. This includes floods and drought, and the public health impacts (both physical and mental health) of these extremes. She has experience of working with external organisations including Scottish Government, NatureScot, SEPA, Scottish Flood Forum, Public Health Scotland, industry and third sector including River Trusts. Recent research includes a Science Policy Fellowship with CREW (Centre of Expertise for Waters) on Building Public Health Resilience to Fluvial Flooding in Scotland, developed to support Scotland's National Flood Resilience Strategy. She is currently involved in 2 CREW research capacity building grants: Reducing the mental health and wellbeing impacts of flooding; and Household flood plans in Scotland – applying behavioural learnings to inform best practice and uptake. She is a member of the University of Glasgow Climate Change and Mental Health Network.

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Speaker

Dom McBennett

Scottish Water

With over 25 years in the water industry, Dom brings expertise in research, fieldwork, consultancy, hydraulic modelling, and asset management. As Catchment/Strategic Planner in Scottish Water's Flooding Team, he leads sewer flood reduction and water quality investment for Dundee and surrounding areas. As Scottish Water Lead for the Water Resilient Dundee partnership, Dom is committed to delivering community and environmental benefits through innovative stormwater management planning.

Speaker

Emily Christopherson-Smith



JBA Consulting

Emily Christopherson-Smith is a CIWEM Chartered Senior Flood Resilience Analyst with experience in Property Flood Resilience (PFR). She leads PFR surveys across the UK and delivers community engagement, Post-Installation Audits. Emily works on two of the Environment Agency's Flood and Coastal Resilience Innovation Programme (FCRIP) projects and is the PFR coordinator for the Resilient Roch FCRIP.

Emily manages PFR schemes for residential and commercial properties and coordinates projects for Aviva, in which JBA are appointed as a Specialist Partner for flood risk management. She also works on the emergency planning team, designing and facilitating exercises for flood, drought, and reservoir incidents. As a trainer, Emily delivers JBA's internal PFR and Reservoir Emergency Planning courses and is an industry-led lecturer on Lancaster University's MSc Flood Forecasting and Emergency Event Response module. Additionally, she is a facilitator for the Environment Agency's Incident Management Training and Exercising Programme.

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Speaker

Esther Carmen



James Hutton Institute

Esther is an interdisciplinary qualitative environmental social scientists interested in developing our understanding of the actual and potential role of the private sector for restoring degraded ecosystems at scale to shape more sustainable collective futures. Her work currently focuses on the uptake of and support for Nature-based Solutions by different types of private sector actors and economic sectors with different types of dependencies on the natural environment, for example the Scottish Whisky, tourism, the Hydropower sector and land based sectors. Her previous research focused on the role of community and policy actors in addressing environmental challenges.

Speaker

Greg Guthrie

Haskoning



Gregor Guthrie is a coastal management consultant with Haskoning. Gregor has around 46 years' experience in coastal engineering and coastal management, having been involved with monitoring, coastal measurement, defence inspection and geomorphological studies, broadening this over the last 30 years to look at the full gamut of integrated coastal management. As part of this, Gregor has been a major player in developing the thinking behind and production of Shoreline Management Plans in England and Wales, extending this to development of SMP principles in New Zealand and in contributing to the discussion of Coastal Change Management in Scotland. While this has explored many of the long term, high level issues of coastal management, this is strongly founded in his practical and pragmatic experience of dealing with coastal issues and coastal communities at a local level.

Speaker

Hannah Swanson



Scottish Government

Hannah studied chemical engineering at university, foreseeing a career in oil & gas or pharmaceuticals; however, in her masters year she was able to explore renewable technologies and found her calling. She centred her dissertation around technologies to tackle climate change and knew she had to build a career around being part of the solution.

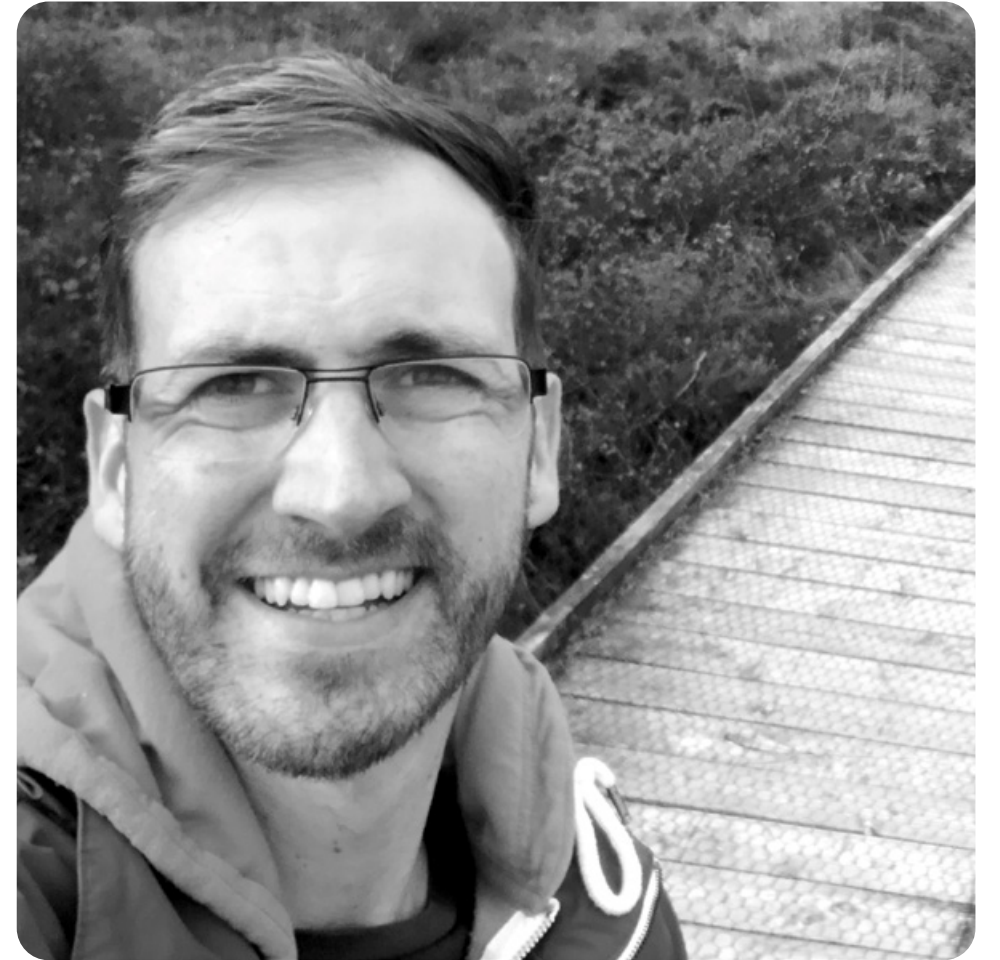
Hannah pursued this dream and landed herself a graduate traineeship with SEPA. It was during these years that she was introduced to the Leven Programme – a cross-sector partnership in mid-Fife focussed on regenerating the River Leven catchment. Shortly after finishing her traineeship, Hannah took on leadership of the partnership and guided it into the delivery of several multi-million pound projects spanning river restoration, active travel, nature-based solutions, heritage exploration, outdoor education, green social referrals and community empowerment.

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Speaker

Iain Lyon

City of Edinburgh Council



Iain is a Chartered Landscape Architect and creative optimist who is always looking to push boundaries of design which he balances with a technical and pragmatic can-do approach. With over 20 years of experience in consultancy he now operates within the Flood Management team of the City of Edinburgh Council. His role is simply to aid the delivery of Blue-Green Infrastructure projects across the city. Working in partnership with the Edinburgh and Lothian Strategic Drainage Partnership, current focus area is the Craigleith catchment where a variety of projects are being progressed with support from external consultants working towards a climate-ready city.

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Speaker

Jo Kerr

Verture



Jo has dedicated her career to social justice and impact. She is passionate about climate justice and centering the most marginalised. Her focuses include strategy, engagement, income generation, and people and culture. Prior to joining Verture in 2024, Jo was a director at Turn2us, working on financial insecurity. She is a fellow of the Intersticia Foundation.

Speaker

John Lavery

Mott MacDonald

John Lavery is a principal maritime civil engineer at Mott MacDonald with 11 years' experience across coastal engineering, offshore renewables and flood risk management. In that time, John has taken on design, management and technical leadership roles across the UK and internationally, with particular focus on coastal adaptation and tidal energy. John has a particular interest in bringing technical content to the public in an accessible way and integrating social considerations within technical solutions, integrating this in coastal projects across Scotland and England. Since 2023 John has been closely involved in creating and implementing Coastal Change Adaptation Plans for local authorities in Scottish Borders, Edinburgh and the Orkney Islands.

Speaker

John Wright

Mott MacDonald



John Wright is a Chartered Engineer at Mott MacDonald serving as a member of the Verture's Flood Resilience Knowledge Exchange Committee. With a strong commitment to technical excellence and embedding resilience in communities, John has led the delivery of innovative flood risk management and sustainable drainage solutions across diverse geographies. A passionate advocate for nature-based approaches, he champions strategies that integrate environmental and climate resilience with engineering best practice. His experience spans both green and hard-engineered interventions, including major network improvements to tackle public and private drainage flooding while enhancing water quality.

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Speaker

Jonathan Kassian



Flood Re

Jonathan leads Flood Re's work to measure and incentivise resilience, with a focus on property-level flood resilience (PFR). Working with industry and government, his focus is on developing an actionable evidence base for resilience and policies that reduce flood risk, with projects including the implementation of Build Back Better and growing the PFR industry through research and partnerships. He has also led Flood Re's work on nature-based solutions, and its insurance market data. Before Flood Re, he spent five years working on energy security issues and international partnerships with the UK Government, following a decade in public policy work in Canada focused on innovation and economic development.

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Speaker

Karen Wylie

Glasgow Disability Alliance



As Policy & Participation Manager of a Disabled People-led Organisation (DPO), Karen engages GDA members in programmes of capacity building, peer support and collective empowerment, ensuring full access facilitation to remove barriers and maximise participation. Karen and her Team facilitate dialogue and deliberation across a range of issues which affect disabled people. Karen specifically leads on poverty, extra costs such as social care, threats to benefits, climate justice and democratic participation. Central to her work is making sure that disabled people have their voices heard embedding their lived experience into policy development, service design and decision making.

Speaker

Kelly Ostler-Coyle



Flood Re

Kelly is Corporate Affairs Director at Flood Re, where she leads communications, stakeholder engagement, and public affairs to support the organisation's mission of making flood insurance affordable and promoting property flood resilience.

She joined Flood Re in 2021 as Head of Communications and Stakeholder Relations, following 14 years at the Association of British Insurers in senior roles spanning public affairs, campaigns, and media relations. Kelly has also worked in government and politics, including for the Rt Hon Jeremy Hunt MP and in communications at the Home Office.

She holds a BA (Hons) in Politics from the University of Exeter.

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Speaker

Larissa Naylor

University of Glasgow



Prof. Larissa Naylor is an internationally recognised, award winning interdisciplinary coastal specialist where her work shapes academic debates as well as policy, planning and practice and in coastal and urban settings. She is globally renowned for her expertise at the interface between geomorphology, ecology, engineering and coastal climate change risks, impacts, resilience and adaptation across the globe.

Working in collaboration with practitioners and policymakers, Larissa helps address pressing ecological and climate change challenges facing society. Her work has won notable awards for career achievements, best papers, and as exemplars of international best practice and industry innovation awards on coastal risk management projects.

Speaker

Lisa Harrison

SEPA



Dr Lisa Harrison recently joined SEPA at the start of 2025 as the senior scientist of coastal modelling and is working on SEPA's regional southeast coastal flood mapping update, as well as exploring nature-based solutions for flood alleviation and climate adaptation. Lisa is training also currently in training to become a coastal flood warning duty officer, who will be responsible for monitoring Scotland's coast, issuing flood warnings and advising partners. Prior to working at SEPA, Lisa was a researcher working on projects at various UK universities on themes including flooding, flood modelling, flood management and resilience strategies, climate adaptation, fluvial geomorphology, and aquaculture.

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Speaker

Marianne Scobie



Glasgow Disability Alliance

Marianne is Depute CEO of Glasgow Disability Alliance. She graduated from Glasgow University in 1994 with an MA in Social Policy and Psychology and has over 30 years' experience in the voluntary sector, including delivering and managing employability, training and large service ser involvement projects.

Marianne manages GDA's Learning, and Digital Inclusion projects and contributes to GDA's Future Visions project. She has additional strategic remits for Public Realm, Climate Change and Inclusive Communications. Marianne serves on a range of Glasgow City Council and Scottish Government strategic advisory groups, inputting the priorities of disabled people and working collaboratively towards solutions.

Marianne has been a disabled person since early childhood and has extensive experience of working with disabled children, young people and their parents including international work. Marianne is particularly skilled in adapting and delivering training in creative, flexible ways and firmly believes everyone can participate when the right support is provided.

Speaker

Paul Shaffer

CIWEM



Paul is Director of Projects at CIWEM, where his work spans opportunities and challenges covering water and environmental management. His work bridges policy, science and the delivery of good practice. He has coordinated the development of national initiatives to support the production and sharing of good practice for surface water management, integrated water management, flood resilience and Nature-based Solutions, particularly Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS) and Property Flood Resilience.

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Speaker

Peter Robinson

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AECOM

Peter Robinson is the Technical Excellence Director for AECOM's Water UK&I business, with 25+ years' experience in Flood Risk Management, Infrastructure Investment and Operational Delivery, along with experience of initiating and delivering significant infrastructure programmes. He is a Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers, recognised for his commitment to delivery of significant engineering programmes and innovative and sustainable thought leadership.

He is passionate about sustainability and the challenges that will be faced by society in the coming years as a result of climate change. Having previously been Head of Engineering at Scottish Canals, he also has a deep understanding of the opportunities and challenges of managing Assets within a changing climate.

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Speaker

Rene Sommer Lindsay

AtkinsRéalis

Rene Sommer Lindsay is an architect-trained urban designer who has spent more than 15 years' working at the intersection of Placemaking and Infrastructure. He works collaboratively with clients to re-design local streets, retrofit urban neighbourhoods and re-imagine ambitious but deliverable masterplans at scale.

Rene has a unique track record of designing resilient, sustainable and liveable cities and neighbourhoods. Before moving to Scotland he was the Project Director of the Copenhagen Climate Resilient Neighbourhood and has continued to work on prominent urban realm masterplans in Scotland and the UK such as leading the 20-minute Neighbourhood Projects in Edinburgh, Re-designing George Street in the heart of the world heritage site, and active travel-led regeneration masterplans such as Glasgow's Liveable Neighbourhoods, Water Resilient Dundee and Under The Bridges in Belfast.

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Speaker

Richard Lockett



Lockett Agri-Environmental

Richard has over 25 years of experience as a conservation and land management adviser. He worked for 10 years as a Farm Conservation Adviser for the Perthshire Farming and Wildlife Advisory Group before establishing Lockett Agri-Environmental in 2009.

Richard undertakes a wide range of environmental and nature restoration work throughout Scotland. This includes providing advice to farms, crofts and estates, as well as the delivering and managing large scale nature restoration projects.

Richard also runs a farming operation at Knockbain Farm near Dingwall. As well as running a small herd of Luing cattle, Richard is working on wide range of conservation and wildlife management projects on the farm.

Speaker

Rose Willoughby



Met Office

Dr Rose Willoughby is the Knowledge Integration Lead for the UK National Climate Science Partnership, where she works to connect the UK's leading climate science with decision-makers. She specialises in bridging science and policy, drawing on a background in atmospheric chemistry and experience across several national government departments. Rose previously worked in the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and the Welsh Government, focusing on air quality, land use, and climate. Since joining the Met Office Knowledge Integration team, she has concentrated on translating climate research into policy impact, including a secondment to the Department for Energy Security and Net Zero.

Speaker

Ruben Borsje

Haskoning



Ruben Borsje is a senior consultant with Haskoning specialising in the analysis and prediction of coastal change. He has a background in coastal processes and sediment transport and has a keen interest in nature-based solutions. He uses the UK's extensive coastal monitoring data to improve strategic and operational decision making, often applying innovative digital tools and techniques.

His recent projects include developing some of the key methods behind the Environment Agency's latest national coastal erosion risk mapping (NCERM2); leading the development of a digital twin for the Bacton Sandscaping Scheme in North Norfolk; performing technical studies on coastal monitoring, triggers and sediment valuation supporting the Environment Agency's Coastal Transition Accelerator Programme; and conducting erosion risk assessments for communities, local authorities and large infrastructure projects.

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Speaker

Shona Collins

West Lothian Council



Shona has 14 years experience in Flood Risk Management, primarily within Scottish local authorities. In her current role within West Lothian Council's Flood Risk Management team Shona delivered Scotland's first Property Flood Resilience (PFR) scheme aligned to national standards. Shona is a strong advocate of PFR as a viable option to reduce the damage caused to properties from floodwater.

Speaker

Susan Veitch

The Highland Council



Susan is a Senior Engineer in the Flood Risk Management TEAM at the Highland Council, she has over 20 years' experience in the field of Flood Risk Management including Emergency Response, Planning, Local Flood Risk Management and Surface Water Management plans, policy & legislation and delivery of Flood Schemes and works. Susan also Chairs the SCOTS Flood Risk Management working group and has been involved in the Scottish Advisory & Implementation Forum for Flooding (SAIFF) groups.

Speaker

Ujwala Fernandes



AtkinsRéalis

Ujwala is a Chartered Landscape Architect and a Regional Director in the AtkinsRéalis Landscape & Urban Design team. She is an accredited Building with Nature assessor and is passionate about creating thriving and sustainable places that connect people and nature. Ujwala has over 17 years' experience in designing and delivering a variety of projects in a wide range of sectors including placemaking and urban regeneration, environmental enhancement, green blue infrastructure, active travel, schools, healthcare and residential.

Ujwala is Technical Design Lead on several significant climate resilient neighbourhood projects across Scotland, working with Scottish Water, local authorities and local stakeholders. Several of her projects have been recognised as best practice exemplars in sustainable water management.

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Speaker

Will Burnish

Moray Council



Will is the Senior Engineer of the Flooding and Coastal Team in Moray Council where he has been leading the team on the delivery of the Flood Risk Managements Act with particular emphasis on Surface Water Management. Previous to this he worked for the Canal River Trust as a Principal Engineer managing the Canal infrastructure within the West Midlands. He has extensive experience in the River/Canal Environments and infrastructure, and has been working in the flooding and water management for over 15 years

Speaker

Zoë Hutchison

Mott MacDonald



Zoë is a chartered civil engineer with over 40 years' experience specialising in coastal management. She has completed projects throughout the UK, Middle East, Caribbean and USA. Although her experience has ranged from strategic studies to detailed design she currently has a focus on climate adaptation and has been involved in three Scottish CCAPs. In her role as Technical Director, she also has interests in incorporating wider positive sustainability and social outcomes on her projects.

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Exhibitor

AECOM

We are leaders in strategy, design, engineering, and construction services, specialising in innovative and sustainable solutions. Our water expertise enables us to address challenges restoring rivers, delivering flood resilience, safeguarding coastlines, and managing water scarcity. Collaborating globally and locally, we empower communities and enhance habitats through customised solutions.

Come and speak to us to learn about: our successful flood resilience projects in Mansfield and Campbeltown, demonstrating the benefits of a holistic approach to flood risk and collaborative working.

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Andel

Andel Ltd is a UK-based environmental technology company specialising in leak detection, flood defence, and water sustainability. With global reach and over 30 years' experience, Andel delivers innovative solutions to protect infrastructure and the environment—supporting clients from government to industry in achieving safety, compliance, and sustainability goals.

Come and speak to us to learn about: discover innovative solutions like BundGuard® and FloodWall™. Learn how our leak detection and water management technologies protect infrastructure, reduce environmental risk, and support sustainability. Our experts are ready to help you tackle flood challenges with confidence.

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AtkinsRéalis

Created by the integration of long-standing organisations dating back to 1911, AtkinsRéalis is a world-leading professional services and project management company dedicated to engineering a better future for our planet and its people. We create sustainable solutions that connect people, data and technology to transform the world's infrastructure and energy systems.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
all your project needs from flood risk to marine assessments, hydrodynamic, water quality modelling or beyond!

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Binnies UK Ltd

Global engineering and environmental consultancy committed to eco-conscious methodologies and digital ingenuity that deliver pragmatic, sustainable solutions.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
flood protection, surface water management, nature based solutions, biodiversity net gain, net zero, hydraulic modelling, detailed design & construction.

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Centre of Expertise for Waters (CREW)

The Centre of Expertise for Waters (CREW) supports the Scottish Government and delivery partners to inform and steer water policy, by delivering objective and robust research and expert opinion. Aligned to our vision to get the right information, to the right people, in the right way at the right time, CREW provides high quality policy relevant research, recommendations, and guidance to its stakeholders.

Come and speak to us to learn about: recent and upcoming research–policy projects and knowledge exchange activities within CREW’s Hydrological Extremes, Coasts and Risk Management theme and overarching considerations of Water and Society.

Exhibitor

Central Scotland's Climate Forest

Central Scotland's Climate Forests are tree planting initiatives that collectively aim to plant 35 million trees across Central Scotland by 2035. Our initiatives will help tackle climate change, mitigate the effects of extreme weather events, reverse biodiversity loss and create opportunities for communities to take positive climate action.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
the Climate Forest's work across Central Scotland, supporting and promoting the use of trees in urban and rural areas to help tackle climate change and biodiversity loss.

Exhibitor

CIWEM

The Chartered Institution of Water and Environmental Management (CIWEM) is the leading independent professional body dedicated to advancing excellence in water and environmental management. Our vision is a world where professionalism and collaboration deliver impactful solutions to the climate and nature emergencies we face.

Come and speak to us to learn about: membership, our networks, training, thought leadership, and advocacy, and how we support evidence-based decision-making and champion approaches that work with natural processes to achieve lasting outcomes.

Exhibitor

ClimateFORTH

Climate FORTH is the latest project from the Inner Forth Futures partnership. Funded by The National Lottery Heritage Fund, this pilot project is testing different ways to make the Inner Forth a more climate resilient place. The team is working across a diverse group of activities to build the resilience of communities, businesses and a number of built and natural heritage assets, to help them withstand the effects of climatic and societal changes.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

our new Virtual Reality experience on landscape change, running the Inner Forth Bike Bus – a greener way to travel with your bike, our work with communities and heritage – and why this connects with climate and natural and built heritage improvements

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CPE Consultancy

With 17 years experience providing project management and civil engineering solutions, we have developed a unique knowledge of flood management. CPE Consultancy delivers excellence on projects across Scotland, now recognised as multi-award winning. We don't just project manage, we deliver projects that balance environmental enhancement, placemaking for more resilient communities.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

our projects, expertise and services; discover what CPE Consultancy can do for you. Delivering bespoke, multidisciplinary services for clients in the public and private sectors, we provide trusted advice and solutions to infrastructure projects of any size, with a specialist inhouse Graphics Design and GIS divisions.

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Data, Insight and Analysis – Hydro-International Ltd

Our expert data, insight and analysis team specialises in hydrometry and water resources, delivering stand-alone projects or ongoing advisory services to help hydrologists and water resources professionals to develop plans and strategies to ensure water supply resilience, combat the effects of climate change and protect against drought and water scarcity. We also offer managed data collection services, designing, installing and managing networks of remote smart monitoring systems.

Come and speak to us to learn about: our range of capabilities and services including flood warning systems (supply, install and maintenance), trash screen monitoring, Timeview telemetry platform, flow monitoring, flow gauging, surface flooding monitoring, camera monitoring, flood risk assessments and modelling, as well as Hydro products such as downstream Defender.

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Flood Control International

Flood Control International is a leading company specialising in flood defence solutions. We design, supply, and install custom flood barriers, gates, and flood defence systems globally. Our expertise spans many sectors, including commercial, industrial, and utilities. Committed to innovation, we ensure effective protection against flooding, safeguarding communities and infrastructure with tailored, dependable solutions.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
how we can help you with your scheme design and what options are available for automatic/passive flood defence solutions.

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Exhibitor

Flood Platform by Jacobs

Developed for nearly 50 years, Flood Modeller is one of the fastest and most robust flood modelling solutions available. It allows you to seamlessly model rivers, surface water and urban drainage systems to obtain a detailed and fully integrated understanding of flood risk.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
the Flood Platform.

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Exhibitor

Flood Re

Flood Re is a joint initiative between the Government and the insurance industry that exists to promote the affordability and availability of flood insurance for homes across the UK. Our operation promotes a competitive insurance market that customers can take advantage of. Insurers can place the flood risk element of domestic property insurance with us at a premium linked to property Council Tax bands. Flood Re sits in the background, with the purchase of the policy and the process of making a claim being unchanged.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

our Build Back Better campaign launched in April 2022, which is designed to reduce the cost and impact of future floods by including property resilience measures as part of flood repairs.

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Exhibitor

Forth Rivers Trust

The Forth Rivers Trust is a conservation charity specialising in river restoration and catchment management on rivers that flow into the Firth of Forth. We develop and deliver projects for the benefit of wildlife, whilst engaging communities with the pressures rivers face.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
how we work with local authorities to deliver for rivers and how we could work with your organisation to develop and deliver nature-based solutions around the Forth.

Exhibitor

Historic Environment Scotland

We are a public body, charity and IRO leading the way in protecting, understanding and sharing Scotland's historic environment, for today and for the future. We are committed to contributing towards Scotland's climate adaptation efforts and work in collaboration with other heritage bodies, research institutes and public bodies to increase its and the heritage sector's climate resilience.

Come and speak to us to learn about: your projects on climate resilience and flood resilience plans; hear about our trailblazing Climate Change Adaptation Manual for Heritage Tourism and our contribution to building capacity across the heritage tourism sector. By sharing your work, you can help shape future updates to the manual.

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Exhibitor

Jacobs

Jacobs are leaders in flood risk management both within the UK and globally, delivering solutions to both river, coastal and surface water flooding. Our marketplace stand will be staffed by experienced flood risk management practitioners who are keen to engage with the conference attendees to discuss and share knowledge and experience from the exciting projects we have undertaken.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
the exciting flood risk management projects Jacobs are delivering for clients in the UK, improving the quality of people's lives and how we can help you deliver flood resilience in your communities.

Exhibitor

JBA Consulting

JBA Consulting is part of the JBA family of environmental, engineering and risk management companies that deliver innovative, evidence-based approaches to complex environmental challenges. We work collaboratively across our disciplines combining analytical, engineering, social and nature-inspired solutions, supporting our clients to adapt and build resilience to climate change both in the UK and worldwide.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
our interactive web-platform we are building to support dynamic coastal risk assessments.

Exhibitor

Mott MacDonald

We have a strong track record of delivery across Scotland, across sectors, delivering local solutions from our five Scottish offices whilst drawing upon global expertise. We work with a breadth of clients, to identify solutions and efficiencies that help develop and manage sustainable infrastructure whilst enhancing our natural environment.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
our local Scottish projects including CCAPs in Edinburgh, Orkney, and the Scottish Borders and our wide-ranging flood management support to Edinburgh.

Exhibitor

Network Rail Scotland

We own, operate, maintain and develop the railway infrastructure in Scotland. That includes 2,668 kilometres of track, 4,715 bridges, 3,186 signals, 2,434 points and 493 level crossings in Scotland – as well as Edinburgh Waverley and Glasgow Central, the country's two major stations. Scotland's Railway fulfils a variety of travel needs – from business and leisure to daily commuter services, including cross border services, while supporting rural services and the needs of freight customers too.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

how we are adapting the rail network to the impacts of climate change and supporting other infrastructure providers to do the same.

Exhibitor

RPS

RPS is a leading flood risk management consultancy, providing a wide range of expertise related to the management of the pluvial, fluvial and coastal environments. We provide ourselves on our deep technical knowledge which we offer in combination with a strong client focus to achieve sustainable flood risk management solutions.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
our capability in the development of a range of capital projects, flood resilience measures and our interactions with communities we're engaged with.

Exhibitor

Scalgo ApS

Scalgo is a Danish software company specialising in high-performance geospatial technology for climate resilience and sustainable land-use planning. Our mission is to make complex spatial data and large-scale computations instantly accessible and actionable for decision-makers, engineers and planners.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

Scalgo Live, our interactive, cloud-based platform for visualising, analysing and sharing high-resolution landscape data. Live integrates data and computation into a single intuitive service that helps users plan for a resilient and sustainable future.

Exhibitor

Scottish Flood Forum

The Scottish Flood Forum (SFF) supports Flood Risk communities to increase their resilience and to prepare for and cope with flooding.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
how the Scottish Flood Forum can help you support communities at risk of flooding and understand what actions you can help them take, and about developing resilient community groups and local emergency plans; property flood resilience and engaging with those who have been flooded.

Exhibitor

SEPA

SEPA is Scotland's principal environmental regulator, and national flood forecasting, flood warning and strategic flood risk management authority. SEPA have recently updated our National Flood Risk Assessment (NFRA), which provides evidence to advance Scotland's flood resilience, inform coordinated action on flooding and support decisions on investment for flood risk management. The NFRA is a strategic tool that provides a national picture of the risk of flooding in Scotland.

We are also developing Scotland's Flood Risk Management Plans for the period 2028 to 2034 – come and speak to us about our live consultation that will help shape these plans, which is open until 21 April 2026.

Come and speak to us to learn about: our hydrometric network and the data it provides 24/7/365 for the people of Scotland. You can find out about accessing both our hydrometric archive, which goes back almost 100 years, and our near live data feeds for water level and rainfall.

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Stantec

Stantec is a global leader in sustainable engineering, architecture, and environmental consulting. The diverse perspectives of our partners and interested parties drive us to think beyond what's previously been done on critical issues like climate change, digital transformation, and future-proofing our cities and infrastructure. We innovate at the intersection of community, creativity, and client relationships to advance communities everywhere, so that together we can redefine what's possible.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
our work and how we can work with you.

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SWECO

Sweco UK is a leading engineering, environmental, and design consultancy. We provide innovative solutions to challenges in flood risk with a focus on nature-based solutions. Our work on design and assessment, focusing on sustainability, helps mitigate the impacts of climate change and supports a safer, adaptive future for flood-prone areas.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

Flood Risk Assessments, Drainage Impact Assessments, hydraulic modelling and hydrology. We also work on the design of flood defences such as riverbank protection and barriers, and sustainable drainage systems (SuDS). We manage Surface Water Management Plans and Flood Protection Schemes.

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TUFLOW

Our suite of advanced 1D/2D/3D computer simulation software for flooding, urban drainage, coastal hydraulics, sediment transport, particle tracking and water quality support water resilient places in terms of both water quantity and water quality. With over 30 years of continuous development, TUFLOW is internationally recognised as the industry leader for hydraulic modelling accuracy, speed and workflow efficiency.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
our Source to Sea software solutions for assessing flood risk at a range of scales.

Exhibitor

Watertight International / Resilico

Watertight are the leading suppliers of PFR in the UK to the Environment Agency, Local Authorities, RMAs, communities, housing associations and deliver Build Back Better as part of the Flood Re scheme.

Come and speak to us to learn about:
Property Flood Resilience (PFR) delivery and solutions.

Exhibitor

WSP

We are one of the world's leading engineering and professional services firms. With over 9,000 professionals across the UK and Ireland, we are dedicated to our local communities whilst leveraging our international brainpower. We work with our clients, their stakeholders and the communities they serve to embed future ready thinking and develop sustainable, place based, climate resilient solutions.

Come and speak to us to learn about:

Natural Flood Management, Biodiversity Net Gain, Coastal Management, hydraulic modelling, detailed design and construction, surface water management, digital community resilience and nature based solutions.

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