Programme

IHE Highway Sector Resilience and Response Conference

Learning lessons from extreme events in preparation for future challenges

8th November 2023, John Major Suite, Kia Oval, London SE11 5SS

Registration, coffee, and networking from 9.00am

Welcome, Ministerial address, and Adapting Highways to a Changing Climate

09:30 Welcome
John A. Lamb – Chair of UKRLG’s National Board for Adaptation, Biodiversity and Climate Change.

Ministerial address - Government expectations: Adaptation, Climate and extreme events, NAP3
Minister

09:45 Resilience to extreme events 'Beyond Winter': Resilience, Lifelines, and Interoperability
Hugh Deeming – Author of DfT independent report Lessons from Extreme Events

Weather and macro challenges
Session Chair – Ann Carruthers – ADEPT

09:55 Earthquakes, Tornados, Storms and Flooding the USA response to Emergency Management and working with FEMA
Chris Engelbrecht – Chair of USA State Highway Emergency Managers Committee, US Member PIARC Technical Committee 1.5: Disaster Management

10:30 Predictions for Future UK Weather and How to Prepare
Will Lang – Met Office

10:50 Wildfires - Urban/Rural interface
Thomas Smith – London School of Economics

11:10 Coffee and networking

Security and military considerations
Session Chair – Stephen Fidler, UK 1st Delegate to PIARC

11:30 The Security Picture
Paul - NPSA
Closed session
12:25 Military Aid (MACA)
   Lt Col (Ret’d) Andy McCombe

12:50 Lunch, networking

Climate Challenge and policy response
Session Chair – Amanda Richards - President LGTAG

13:25 Surrey's approach to integrating DfT’s ‘lessons learned’ into practice.
   Amanda Richards – President LGTAG

13:40 Aberdeenshire’s learning from the experience: Storm Arwen to Storm Babet
   (TBC) Jim Savege – Chief Executive, Aberdeenshire Council and Chair, Scottish Resilience Partnership

Four Nations Roundup – headlines
14:00 DfT – Deborah Owens – Deputy Director Environment and Adaptation
   Wales – Andy Falleyn – Chief Engineer and Deputy Director Strategic Road Network Welsh Government
   Scotland - Hugh Gillies – Director Transport Scotland
   Northern Ireland – David Porter – Director of Engineering at DfI and Vice President of ICE

   DfT and the Devolved Assemblies will provide a regional round-up of adaptation and resilience challenges, priorities, and activities.

15:00 Comfort Break

Lifelines
Session Chair – John Lamb Board Chair UK Adaptation, Biodiversity & Climate Board

15:15 BGS approach to developing geological risk profiles
   Holger Kessler – BGS

15:30 NUAR in resilience space (links to Security Picture)
   Stephen Thorp – Cabinet Office

15:45 TRIG22: Key outputs from the Virtual Operations Support (VOS) Project
   Hugh Deeming

16:00 Stormchain: From concept to deployment, and preparing for your worst day
   Jon Munslow – Cambridgeshire County Council

16:15 Panel Debate and Questions

Closing Remarks
16:30 Louise Haig – Shadow Secretary of State for Transport (invited TBC)

16:40 John Lamb

17:00 Conference close

N.B this programme is subject to change.