

## Delivering a better environment for the UK?

### - challenges for a new and effective environmental framework

The context for this year's conference continues to be the degree of uncertainty surrounding Government plans for a new Environmental Bill, while the future extent of alignment between the UK's and Europe's environmental policies remains unclear. This is crucial: will the Bill really uphold and reinforce our current level of environmental protection? Or will it fall prey to de-regulatory pressures in a UK desperate for trade deals? Conference will have an update on progress, if any, on the Bill and hear about the demands that EPUK has made on behalf of its membership. Delegates at our 2018 Conference heard calls for the necessary powers to allow the Office for Environment Protection to become a strong independent and effective watchdog. Concerns about this have not gone away, in fact have arguably increased; conference will have an update on this too.

Despite uncertainty about environmental policy for the future, today's challenges remain. Special conference sessions on air quality, land quality and noise, will air current concerns in these vital areas of environmental protection and delegates will hear updates on ongoing issues.

The programme is planned to ensure lively discussion in the conference sessions with many opportunities for networking and viewing the exhibition and displays.

#### The Conference will be of particular interest to:

- Local authority officers and members with environmental portfolios, Environmental Health Practitioners, Contaminated Land, Planning and Transport Officers
- Anyone in public office with an environment brief or interest
- Environmental managers from the private and public sectors
- Environmental businesses and consultants
- Academics and students involved in teaching, research and learning in environmental protection subjects
- Local environmental interest groups

**Register online at:**

<http://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/events/epuk-events/epuk-annual-conference-2019>

**Attendance at this event provides 7 hours of CPD**

**2019 EPUK CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

09.00 *Registration, displays and exhibition plus refreshments*

**PLENARY SESSION 1**

**Session Chair:** Christopher Fry, Chair, EPUK Board of Trustees

10.15 **Welcome and Introductions**

EPUK President

10.20 **Keynote Address: Maximising Health Benefits of Environmental Protection: addressing air pollution now, over the next decade and beyond**

Gary Fuller, Kings College London

10.50 **Questions and Discussion**

11.00 *Refreshment, displays and exhibition*

**PLENARY SESSION 2**

11.30 **Environmental Legislation and Regulation for the UK's Future**

Session Chair: David Muir, EPUK

11.35 **Environmental Law at the Crossroads**

William Wilson, Barrister and Director of Wyese Consulting Ltd

12.05 **Clean Air Legislation that is fit for purpose**

Andrea Lee, Client Earth

12.30 **Discussion, Closing remarks**

12.45 **Introduction to Exhibitors**

13.00 *Lunch, displays and exhibition*

**After lunch please make your way to your relevant break out session.**

**PLENARY SESSION 3**

16.00 **New Environmental Legislation: EPUK's position.**

Session Chair: John Murlis EPUK

16.05 **EPUK Recommendations for an Environment Bill, with an update from the Air Quality Policy Committee**

Sarah Legge, Chair, EPUK Air Quality Committee.

***Feedback from Chairs of Noise and Land Quality Policy Committees***

**Questions and Discussion**

16.40 **Closing address**

**EPS – experience of working for a cleaner quieter healthier and sustainable Scotland**

John Bynorth, Policy and Communications Officer, EPS

16.55 **Closing remarks-** EPUK President

17.00 **Close of 2019 National Conference**

***Light refreshments, displays and exhibition.***

## **AIR QUALITY, LAND QUALITY AND NOISE BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

### **AIR QUALITY: Ultra-fine Particles, impacts and policy options**

- 14.00 **Introduction: Chair**, Sarah Legge, Chair of Air Quality Committee
- 14.05 **Ultra-fine Particles in the UK - An Overview**  
David Muir, Chair of Executive EPUK
- 14.30 **Exposure to metal-rich, ultrafine particulate air pollution: a possible risk factor for neurodegenerative disease.**  
Professor Barbara Maher, Centre for Environmental Magnetism & Palaeomagnetism, Lancaster Environment Centre, University of Lancaster
- 15.00 **Policy Options for management of Ultra-fine Particles**  
John Murlis
- 15.15 **Real World Emissions Testing - an Update**  
Nick Molden, AIR (Allow Independent Road-testing)
- 15.25 **Discussion: elements of a UK policy response including opportunities through national programmes, CAZ and LAQM**
- 15.30 **Close of Session. Refreshments, displays and exhibitions**

### **LAND QUALITY:**

- 14.00 **Introduction: Chair**, David Rudland, Chair of Land Quality Committee
- 14.10 **The power of a good survey: survey techniques below ground, standard land survey and remote sensing**  
Tom Ridgway, Lead Geospatial Surveyor, The Carto Group
- 14.40 **Asbestos Risk in Ground Investigation: the latest UK industry good practice for intrusive ground investigation for compliance with the control of asbestos regulations 2012**  
Marian Markham, Jacobs
- 15.05 **Enhancing geophysical investigations: recent advances in science and technology**  
Oliver Chrisp, Aecom
- 15.30 **Close of Breakout Session. Refreshments, displays and exhibitions**

### **NOISE**

- 14.00 **Introduction: Chair**, Robin Whitehouse, Chair of Noise Committee
- 14.10 **Emerging issues in urban noise: drone noise – a new public health challenge in urban areas**  
Dr Antonio J. Torija Martinez, University of Salford
- 14.40 **Assessing health impacts of exposure to noise**  
Speaker TBC
- 15.05 **Update on Noise Policy: A Local Authority perspective**  
Robin Whitehouse
- 15.30 **Close of Breakout Session. Refreshments, displays and exhibitions**

# Registration form

Please complete the form below and return to our office at the address below. You can also register online at <http://www.environmental-protection.org.uk/events/epuk-events/epuk-annual-conference-2019>  
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