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Scotland's EIA Conference 2024

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Programme

09.15 Registration Opens

Session 1 [10.00 – 11.00]

10.00: Welcome and Chair's Opening - Josh Fothergill (**FothergillTC**)

10.05: **Improving EIA Delivery - Onshore Wind Sector Deal** (OWSD)

15min: Megan Amundson - Scottish Renewables – OWSD Purpose, Approach and Progress

25min: Jo Wotton – LUC – EIA Task and Finish Group - *Approach and Outcomes*

10.45: Q&A across Speakers

11.00: Morning Coffee [25min – Networking]

Session 2: Workshops - Addressing Challenges in EIA's Delivery for Scotland

Each workshop runs 3 times - 35min each time (e.g. 5min Intro, 25m activity, 5m summary)

Concurrent:

Rd1 11.25 – 12.00 > Speakers rotate(5min) delegates stay in room >

Rd2 12.05

Main Room

Reflections and myth-busting around EIA's challenge risks
(35mins – Brodies LLP)

Exploring how wider EIA practice can learn from OWSD (35mins – RSK and SEPA)

Breakout Rm1 (30max)

Briefing on Climate Change in Scottish EIA and Planning (35mins – Scot Govt, LUC & WSP)

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Breakout Rm2 (30max)

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12.45: Buffet Lunch & Networking [50min]

13.35 Session 2 – Final (3rd) running of the suite of workshops

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Session 3

14.20: **Enabling the Grid – EIA's role in the Clean Energy Transmission Challenge**

- 30mins **Richard Baldwin + Simon Hall + Emily Johns** (SSEN – Transmission) – The scale of the challenge, enabling EIA delivery, challenges still defining solutions

14.50: Q&A

15.00: Afternoon Tea [25min – Networking]

15.25 Session 4: EIA across Design and into Delivery

- 15mins **John Appleton** (SSE Renewables) EIA, Design and Flexibility

- 15mins **Kerry Bell** (Scottish Government-Marine) Benefits & Challenges of EIA Design / Rochdale Envelope

- 15mins **Rufus Howard** (IEMA) 2024 Guidance on EIA and the Mitigation Hierarchy

15min Q&A across 3 x Speakers

16.25 Chair's Summary (Josh Fothergill)

16.30: Close