

# **Scotland's EIA Conference 2023**

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**Programme** 09.15 Registration Opens

<u>Session 1</u> [10.00 – 11.00] 10.00: Welcome and Chair's Opening - Josh Fothergill (FothergilITC)

10.05: **The NPF4 Impetus 15min: Cara Davidson - Scottish Government**, - An Opportunity to adjust Scotland's collective EIA mindset

15min: Carolyn Wilson- SSE Renewables - NPF4 & EIA: SSE Renewables Perspective

**15min: Stephanie Wray - RSK** – 'What would EIA look like if we were actually trying to solve the climate and nature crises?' 10.50: Q&A across Session 1's Speakers

11.05: Morning Coffee [25min - Networking]

#### Session 2: Workshops Exploring NPF's impetus to Scottish EIA

Each workshop runs 3 times - 35min each time (e.g. 5min Intro, 25m activity, 5m summary) Concurrent: Rd1 11.30 – 12.05 > Speakers rotate(5min) delegates stay in room > Rd2 12.10

<u>Main Room</u> Delivery via Proportionate EIA (35mins – SSE Networks and Marine Scotland)

Enabling NPF4's Biodiversity Goals (35mins – Repeat of Room 2 from Rd1) <u>Breakout Rm1</u> (30max) Addressing NPF4's Climate Challenge (35mins – Jacobs and SEPA)

Delivery via Proportionate EIA (35mins – Repeat of Main Room from Rd1) Breakout Rm2 (30max) Enabling NPF4's Biodiversity Goals (35mins – Mott MacDonald +NatureScot)

Addressing NPF4's Climate Challenge (35mins – Repeat of Room 1 from Rd1)

12.50: Buffet Lunch & Networking [50min]

## 13.40 Session 2 – Final (3<sup>rd</sup>) running of the suite of workshops

<u>Main Room</u> Addressing NPF4's Climate Challenge (35mins – 2<sup>nd</sup> Repeat of Room 1 from Rd1) <u>Breakout Rm1</u> (30max) Enabling NPF4's Biodiversity Goals (35mins – 2<sup>nd</sup> Repeat of Room 2 from Rd1) Breakout Rm2 (30max) Delivery via Proportionate EIA (35mins – 2<sup>nd</sup> Repeat of Main Room from Rd1)

## Session 3

14.25**: TBC** 

- 15mins Nicola Martin (Wright Johnston Mackenzie LLP) - Legal perspective: The EIA Regs and Outcome Approaches

- 15mins Lizzie Whiteley (Storegga) – Project Acorn: CCS and Hydrogen 14.55: Q&A across Session 3 Speakers

15.05: Afternoon Tea [25min - Networking]

15.30 Session 4: A Collective Response – How EIA practice will enable NPF4 success

- 6mins Feedback Proportionate Workshop (SSE Networks and Marine Scotland)

- 6mins Feedback Climate Workshop (Jacobs and SEPA)

- 6mins Feedback Biodiversity Workshop (Mott MacDonald +NatureScot)

30min Discussion: Next Steps in Scottish EIA Practice - "Based on today, I will now..."

16.25 Chair's Summary and Next Steps (Josh Fothergill)

16.30: Close