

**EPC ANNUAL CONGRESS
EPC ENGINEERING ACADEMICS' FORUM
20TH-22ND APRIL 2009**

MONDAY 20TH APRIL

Arrival and Registration
19:00 Informal evening buffet

TUESDAY 21ST APRIL

09:00 Registration

09:30-09:45 Opening

EPC President: Professor Ray Allen
Formal Opening: Professor Anton Muscatelli, Principal of Heriot-Watt University

09:45 - 10:15 The HE Landscape I

Task Force for the Scottish Universities: Mark Batho, Chief Executive: Scottish Funding Council

10:15 – 11:30 The School University transition

Keynote: Professor Dik Morling, Westminster University
The student view of first year: Iain Delworth, NUS
Engineers in transition: Professor Jim Boyle, Strathclyde University
Discussion: led by Professor Dik Morling, Westminster University

11:30 – 11:45 Coffee

11:45 – 12:30 Engineering Degrees of the Future

Keynote: Professor Barry Clarke, University of Leeds
The future direction of engineering degrees – a perspective from the RAEng: Professor Peter Goodhew, Liverpool University
The Bologna Process and Engineering Degrees: Speaker to be confirmed

12:30 - 13:30 Lunch

13:30 – 14:15 Engineering Degrees of the Future (contd.)

The future direction of engineering degrees – a perspective from the Engineering Council: Richard Shearman, Deputy CEO EC(UK)
Discussion: led by Professor Barry Clarke, University of Leeds

14:15 – 15:15 Outreach – engineering into society

Keynote: Professor Fred Maillardet, Brighton University
Engineering the Future:
The National HE STEM Programme: Professor Nigel Weatherill, Birmingham University

15:15 – 15:30 Tea

15:30 – 16:00 Outreach – engineering into society (contd.)

STEM cohesion at the National Science Learning Centre: Katy Bloom, University of York
Discussion: led by Professor Fred Maillardet, Brighton University

16:00-16:30 The HE Landscape II

Engineering Excellence: perspectives as funder and funded: Professor Sir John O'Reilly, Vice Chancellor of Cranfield University and former Chief Executive of EPSRC

16:30 – 18:15 The Engineering Professors' Council

Account of EPC activities, Professor Ray Allen and Chairs of EPC Working Groups
EPC AGM

18:30 Buses depart for reception and dinner at Edinburgh Castle

WEDNESDAY 22ND APRIL

09:30 – 11:00 RAE and beyond

The HEFCE view of research excellence in engineering: David Sweeney, Director, Research, Innovation and Skills, HEFCE

Research pooling in Scotland: Professor David Gani, Director, Research Policy and Strategy, Scottish Funding Council

EPSRC view of Research Excellence and KT: Dr Liam Blackwell, Head of ICT Programme, EPSRC
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Discussion:

11:00 – 11:15 Coffee

11:15 – 13:00 Outcomes from engineering research and HE

Keynote: Professor Geoff MacFarland, Renishaw plc

Professor Chris Firth, Thales

Professor John Murphy, BAe Systems

Mr Gordon Grant, Ineos

Mr Graham Robinson, Shell

Hugh Tollyfield, Special Adviser - Employer Engagement HEFCE

Discussion: led by Professor Geoff MacFarland, Renishaw plc

Close 13:00 -13:15

Lunch from 13:15 and Depart