

09:15 **Registration**
Refreshments, networking and exhibition

09:55 **Welcome from the Institute of Chartered Foresters**
Geraint Richards MVO FICFor – President of the Institute of Chartered Foresters

10:00 **BIG DEBATE – DAY ONE**

Getting it right – achieving long term above ground benefits from trees

The urban forest is particularly beneficial as an above ground experience, but achieving an urban forest from which all will benefit now and into the future requires vision, investment, creative design, planning and competence in both delivery and aftercare.

Chaired by Kevin McCloud MBE FICFor (Hon) – Editor-at-Large, *Grand Designs* and Day One Chair

Panel

Jane Findlay FLI PPLI – Founding Director, Fira

Dr Mark Nason MCIEEM – Head of Professional Practice, CIEEM

Catherine Nuttgens – Urban Forest Consultant

John Parker MICFor CEnv – Chief Executive, Arboricultural Association

Sue Percy CBE – Chief Executive, CIHT

Dr Wei Yang FRTPI FAcSS – Founder, Wei Yang & Partners

11:10 **SESSION ONE**

Our vision for an urban landscape for people and nature

Session curated by the Landscape Institute

Chaired by Jane Findlay FLI PPLI – Founding Director, Fira

Speakers

Ian Houlston FLI MCIfA – Director, LDA Design

An ecosystem-led approach to placemaking

Simon Needle – Strategic Lead for Urban Forestry and Nature, Birmingham City Council

Greening the city for people, biodiversity and climate change adaptation

Elaine Cresswell CMLI – Director and Landscape Architect, reShaped

Engaging communities in nature

12:10 **Lunch**
Refreshments, networking and exhibition

13:05

SESSION TWO

Roads as green places

Session curated by the Chartered Institution of Highways & Transportation (CIHT)

Chaired by Sue Percy CBE – Chief Executive, CIHT

Speakers

Ben Addy – Head of Networks and Collaborative Design, Sustrans

James Elliott FCIHT – Director, Elliott Asset Management Ltd and Partner, AliumBlue LLP

Andy Jackson – Special Projects Manager, Leicestershire County Council

14:10

SESSION THREE

Planning for trees – the role of planning in driving the agenda for increased urban tree cover

Session curated by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI)

Chaired by Dr Wei Yang FRTPI FAcSS – Founder, Wei Yang & Partners

Speakers

Dr Daniel Slade MRTPI – Policy Manager, RTPI

The Institute's leadership and research for local nature recovery and local environment planning

Tabitha Lythe MRTPI – Planning and Development Services Manager, Shropshire Council

The rural-urban interface

15:10

Break

Refreshments, networking and exhibition

15:40

SESSION FOUR

What are truly green jobs?

Session curated by the Chartered Institute for Ecology and Environmental Management (CIEEM)

Chaired by Dr Mark Nason MCIEEM – Head of Professional Practice, CIEEM

Speakers

Lisa Kerslake CEcol FCIEEM – Area Ecologist: Yorkshire and North East England, Forestry Commission

16:45

DAY ONE SUMMARY – Kevin McCloud MBE FICFor (Hon)

17:00

DAY ONE CLOSE



08:30 **Registration – Day Two Delegates**
Refreshments, networking and exhibition

08:55 **Welcome to Day Two**
Gary Newman – Chief Executive, Woodknowledge Wales and Day Two Chair

09:00 **BIG DEBATE – DAY TWO**

Getting it right – for timber in construction and trees as critical infrastructure

Achieving 100% net zero by 2050 is a statutory requirement and it would be preferable to achieve this before this date. To date, as the latest Climate Change Committee report outlined, we are not achieving the progressive targets that have been set.

Chaired by Gary Newman – Chief Executive, Woodknowledge Wales and Day Two Chair

Panel

Duncan Baker-Brown FRSA RIBA – Director, BakerBrown Studio

Andrew Lawrence CEng MICE MStructE – Director and Global Timber Specialist, Arup

Shona Smyth MICFor – Technical Policy Manager, Institute of Chartered Foresters

Katja Stille DipArch AssocRTPI – Director, Tibbalds and Past-Chair of the Urban Design Group

Dirk Vennix MBA FCIPR – Chief Executive, CIRIA

10:10 **SESSION FIVE**

Productive timber and its use in construction

Session curated by the Institution of Structural Engineers (IStructE) and Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)

Six succinct presentations offering insights into optimising timber use in building design, followed by a Q&A session.

Speakers

Jez Ralph – Director, Evolving Forests

Dr Will Hawkins CEng – Lecturer, University of Bath

Simon Corbey MRICS – Director, The Alliance for Sustainable Building Products

Andrew Lawrence CEng MICE MStructE – Director and Global Timber Specialist, Arup

Jess Hrivnak – Practice Technical Adviser (Sustainability), RIBA

Duncan Baker-Brown FRSA RIBA – Director, BakerBrown Studio

11:05 **Break**
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11:30	SESSION SIX
	<p>Commercial outputs from the urban forest Session curated by the Institute of Chartered Foresters</p> <p>Chaired by Shona Smyth MICFor – Technical Policy Manager, Institute of Chartered Foresters</p> <p>Speakers Eilidh Forster – Forestry and BECCS Carbon Accounting Specialist, Drax <i>Timber in the circular economy</i></p> <p>Colin Peacock – Senior Programme Manager, Forestry and Land Scotland <i>Planning and delivery of commercial harvesting operations in urban woods</i></p>
12:30	<p>Lunch Refreshments, networking and exhibition</p>
13:30	SESSION SEVEN
	<p>Integrating above and below ground to achieve above ground ambition Session curated by the Trees and Design Action Group (TDAG) and the Urban Design Group</p> <p>Chaired by Jim Smith MICFor – National Urban Forestry Adviser, Forestry Commission</p> <p>Speakers Daniel Hicks MCABE C.Build E – Technical Research Manager, NHBC <i>Resolving net zero carbon, foundation design for trees and insurance implications</i></p> <p>Katja Stille DipArch AssocRTPI – Director, Tibbalds and Past-Chair of the Urban Design Group <i>The case for a National Underground Design Guide</i></p>
14:40	SESSION EIGHT
	<p>If trees are an important part of our infrastructure, how can we manage them as such and demonstrate their value? Session curated by the Construction Industry Research and Information Association (CIRIA)</p> <p>Chaired by Dirk Vennix MBA FCIPR – Chief Executive, CIRIA</p> <p>Speakers Malcolm Yull CMLI – Landscape Architect Associate Director, Stantec Adrien Baudrimont – Senior Research Manager, CIRIA</p>
15:45	DAY TWO SUMMARY – Gary Newman
16:00	CONFERENCE CLOSE

