



Enabling Business Growth: The Environmental Advantage

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Agenda

9:00 **Registration opens**
Breakfast selection available

9:00 – 10:00 **Meet the team & discussion pods**

10:00 **Welcome**
Lisa Tennant, Chair, SEPA

10:05 **Opening address**
Nicole Paterson, CEO, SEPA

10:15 **Keynote**
Ross Haggart, Chief Operating Officer
Regulation & Business, SEPA

10:30 **Panel discussion**
Facilitated by Catherine Salmond,
Editor, The Herald

11:45 **Closing remarks**
Lisa Tennant, Chair, SEPA

12:00 **Close**

Drop into a discussion pod

Join our topic experts at their discussion pods. No need to book a slot, it's an informal drop in where you can chat through some projects or explore questions you have.

Environmental intelligence, forecasting and flood risk management

Explore how regulation, evidence and practical services support resilience, informed decision-making and long-term business confidence.

Agriculture

Speak with colleagues working alongside Scotland's agricultural sector to deliver environmental improvements while supporting productive and resilient farming businesses.

Waste and circular economy

Explore how environmental regulation is helping businesses unlock value from resources, reduce waste and support Scotland's transition to a circular economy. Meet specialists working on reform, innovation and future opportunities in resource management.

Meet our teams



Meet the teams behind our advice and guidance and learn more about the work we have underway by visiting the stands in the breakout area.

Working with Business

How we work to deliver outcomes, provide advice and services available.

Science, Monitoring and Evidence

How science, monitoring and environmental intelligence support trusted and effective regulation.

Supporting Compliance and Enforcement

How SEPA supports compliance, tackles environmental harm and ensures a level playing field for responsible businesses.

Climate Resilience

How SEPA's flooding services, environmental information and risk management tools help organisations prepare for future challenges.

Delegate list

Scott Anderson – Vice President – Leith Chamber of Commerce

Junaid Ashraf – Co-founder – Scottish Asian Business Chamber

Heather Banks – Sustainability Manager – Edrington

Kirsty Berchtenbreiter – Director of Strategy – Scottish Canals

Robert Bryce – Director of Hydro – SSE

Andrew Cannon – Managing Director – Kames

Bianca Cooper – Business Development Manager – Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce

Marysia Crawford – Business Support Partner – Zero Waste Scotland

Ronald Daalmans – Sustainability Director – Chivas Brothers

Alan Doak – Director – Mineral Products Association (Scotland)

Stephen Feeland – Policy Advisor – Scottish Environmental Services Association

Tom Findlay – Energy Ports Manager – Crown Estate Scotland

Andrew Gall – Owner – RDK Environmental Ltd.

Anna Graham – Head of Environment, Science and Innovation – Scotch Whisky Association

Graeme Hannah – Director of Sustainability and Social Impact – Robertson

Victoria Hollywood – Director of Sustainability – Edrington

Damian Keaveny – Group Environment Lead – SSE

Judi Kilgallon – Co-Director – LG Improvement Service (Scottish Climate Intelligence Service)

Dawn Lochhead – Regulation and Performance Manager – Scottish Water

Donna Marshall – Head of Investment Promotion – South of Scotland Enterprise

Liz McAreavey – Chief Executive – Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce

Sian McGuinness – Net Zero and Innovation Manager – Firth of Forth Freeport

Rhona McLaren – Environmental Regulation Business Partner – SSE

Catherine McWilliam – Director, Scotland – Institute of Directors

Kevin Murphy – Director of Planning – Homes for Scotland

Pauline Murray – Programme Director – Digital Dairy Chain Scotland

Will Myles – Partner, Business Support – Zero Waste Scotland

Philippa Parmiter – Chief Executive – Decarb Scotland

Ruth Piggin – Industry Sustainability Director – Scotch Whisky Association

Wendy Raynor – Regional Chair – CIWM

Brendan Reilly – President – Leith Chamber of Commerce

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Amy Ritchie – Head of Environmental Sustainability – Great British Energy

Adeyemi Roland – Global Governance – Diageo

Catherine Salmond – Editor – The Herald

Lorna Scott – Senior Policy Manager Climate, Land and Business – National Farmers Union Scotland

Jamie Shovelin – Managing Director – Dumfries and Galloway Chamber of Commerce

Mark Simmers – Chief Executive – Celtic Renewables

Nicki Souter – Coordinator – Resource Management Association Scotland

Andre Van – Fish Health Manager – Kames

Alan Wells – Chief Executive – Fisheries Management Scotland

Caroline Wengel – Business Development Manager – Inverclyde Chamber of Commerce

Wendy White-Finnigan – Founder – The Way Forward 2045

Mhairi Winters – Head of Manufacturing – Gordon and MacPhail



Richard Allan – Chief Operating Officer, Evidence and Water Resilience – SEPA

Lisa Blackett – Board Member – SEPA

Kirsty-Louise Campbell – Deputy CEO – SEPA

Eleanore Cooper – Head of Environmental Monitoring & Forecasting – SEPA

Nathan Critchlow-Watton – Head of Operational Excellence & Improvement – SEPA

Paul Dale – Chief Regulator – SEPA

Ross Haggart – Chief Operating Officer, Regulation, Business and Environment – SEPA

Harpreet Kohli – Board Member – SEPA

Katherine Ludford – Head of Regulatory Transformation – SEPA

Shona McConnell – Head of Compliance – SEPA

Jenn McWhirter – Head of Corporate Legal and Leadership Support – SEPA

Nicole Paterson – CEO – SEPA

Lisa Tennant – Chair – SEPA

Gary Walker – Head of Specialist Regulation – SEPA

Venue information

Photography

Photography and videography will be taking place at the event for use across SEPA channels and publications. Images will also be used to support media content, including a post event piece in The Herald. Some images may be shared with our guest panel speakers to support their communications, both internal and external, supporting their participation of the event.

Signage will be displayed at the venue to remind you photography and videography will be taking place, with those holding cameras being visibly identifiable with photographer badges. Please let any of the team know if you would like to opt out of inclusion in photography and videography on the day.

If you would like to opt out in advance please contact events@sepa.org.uk.

WiFi

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