



DRAFT PROGRAMME

Tuesday 10th November 2015

10:00hrs **Registration opens**

Refreshments will be available. Exhibitor displays and poster presentations will be open during the day, beginning when registration opens.

11:00hrs **Conference begins**

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| 11:00-11:10hrs | Welcome and Introduction | Alasdair Hay, Chief Fire Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service |
| 11:10-11:20hrs | Opening address | Paul Wheelhouse MSP, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs |
| 11:20-11:30 | Conference outline | Representatives Scottish Wildfire Forum & England and Wales Wildfire Forum |
| 11:30-12:15hrs | The organisation of Initial Attack in California | Greg Bertelli, Battalion Chief, CAL FIRE (USA) |
| 12:15-12:45hrs | Wildfire risk in Community Risk Registers, Integrated Risk Management Plans (IRMPs) and Incident Recording System (IRS): how well do they match? | Julia McMorrow, University of Manchester; Rob Gazzard, Forestry Commission; and, Paul Hedley, Northumberland FRS |
| 12:45-13:00hrs | Poster introductions | Poster presenters introduced by Julia McMorrow, University of Manchester |
| 13:00-14:00hrs | Buffet lunch, exhibitor displays and poster presentations | |
| 14:00-14:45hrs | RISICO: fire danger index communication to all stakeholders for implementing prevention activities in the Mediterranean environment | Paolo Fiorucci CIMA Research Foundation |



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14:45-15:15hrs Wildfires, vegetation and land use change: ecosystem services and the resilience of landscapes and rural communities Dr Alistair Hamilton, Scottish Rural Universities and Colleges (SRUC)

15.15-16:15hrs Parallel Sessions As listed below – choose Session A, B or C.

| Session A - Fuels Management | Session B - Intelligence and Systems to Support Prevention | Session C – Fires in Organic Soils |
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| Main Auditorium | Room 1 | Room 2 |
| <i>Wildfire and prescribed burning</i> Richard Luxmoore, National Trust for Scotland | <i>Design of an efficient multi-hazard emergency management service platform</i> Oriol Vilalta, Pau Costa Foundation | <i>Mapping the extent and trends of prescribed burning for game management in the UK uplands</i> David J. T Douglas Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) |
| <i>Gamekeepers, Muirburn and wildfires: the practitioners view on “good” and “bad” fires</i> Iain Hepburn, Headkeeper Dunmaglass Estate | <i>Remote sensing and a wildfire spread model: before, during and after a wildfire</i> Jan Slakorst, Ester Willemson and Nienke Brouwer, Institute for Safety, Netherlands | <i>What are the benefits and challenges of using SAR data to detect and monitor wildfire burn scars in peat moorlands?</i> Gail Millin-Chalabi, University of Manchester |
| <i>Fire intensity, the threshold of control and fuels management”</i> Michael Bruce Firebreak Services Ltd | <i>Development of an operational global wildfire information system and its application for risk mitigation– AFIS</i> Philip Frost, Merake Institute and Alex Held, European Forest Institute | <i>Study on the use of ultra-high pressure fogging systems to apply water to deep-seated peat fires</i> Simon Land, Primetech UK Ltd |

16:15-16:45hrs Refreshment break & Exhibition viewing



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- 16:45-17:15hrs** Stakeholder priorities for managing wildfire risk in the rural-urban interface (RUI): widening the consultation
Rob Gazzard, Forestry Commission; Julia McMorrow, University of Manchester; and Robert Stacey, Northumberland FRS
- 17:15hrs** Close of Day 1
- 17:15-19:00hrs** Meetings of the Scottish Wildfire Forum and the England and Wales Wildfire Forum (*Forum members only*).
- 20:00-23:00hrs** Conference networking dinner (informal), Cambuslang Training Centre



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08:30hrs **Registration opens for day delegates**

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09:00hrs **Day 2 of the Conference begins**

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| 09:00-09:45hrs | Adaptation and Integration of the Canadian Fire Danger Rating System into Wildfire Prevention in New Zealand | Grant Pearce, New Zealand Forest Research Institute Ltd. |
| 09:45-10:15hrs | Moisture codes of the Canadian Fire Weather Index System could be used to forecast flammability of key moorland fuels | Roger Grau, University of Glasgow |



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10:15-11:15hrs Parallel Sessions

As listed below –
choose Session A, B or C.

| Session A – Wildfire Prevention – Local to Regional | Session B – Fire Investigation damage and insurance | Session C – Workshop Fire Danger Rating Systems |
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| Main Auditorium | Room 1 | Room 2 |
| <p><i>Wildfire Prevention: The role of the Countryside Ranger</i></p> <p>Eric Baird, Glen Tanar Charitable Trust, Scotland</p> | <p><i>The importance of research of causation of forest fires: the Catalan experience</i></p> <p>Jose Miguel de Pablo Bribian, Generalitat of Catalonia</p> | <p>Fire Danger Rating System developments in the UK.</p> <p>This may include invited speakers TBC</p> <p>Led by Simon Thorp Director, Heather Trust</p> |
| <p><i>Reducing wildfire risk across 650 km2 of Pennine Moorland in one project that integrates land management, innovative communications and science</i></p> <p>Jonathan Walker, Moors for the Future Partnership</p> | <p><i>Wildfire Origin and Cause Determination: case study of a wildfire in the Republic of Ireland</i></p> <p>Winand Sitsen, Apeldoorn Police Alex Held, FRISK-GO, Ester Willemsen (Netherlands Institute of Physical Safety),</p> | |
| <p><i>Wild Purbeck Nature Improvement Area – Wildfire Mitigation</i></p> <p>Andy Elliott, Dorset Fire and Rescue Service</p> | <p><i>Insurance aspects of Woodland and Moorland Fires</i></p> <p>James Campbell, Lycetts Insurance Brokers Ltd.</p> | |

11:15-11:45hrs Refreshment break

11:45-12:15hrs National Operational Guidance for Wildfires Alex Bennett, Northumberland FRS (TBC)

12:15-12:45hrs **EQUIPMENT DEMO TBC**

12:45-13:45hrs **Lunch**



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| 13:45-14:15hrs | Wildfire: What is the landowner's role? | Lord David Johnstone, Chairman Scottish Land and Estates |
| 14:15-14:45hrs | Recent Wildfire Prevention activities carried out by the Scottish FRS | LSO Scott Hay, Scottish FRS |
| 14:45-15:00hrs | Closing address | TBC |
| 15:00 | Close | |