



## PROGRAMME

### Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 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**

11:00-11:15hrs    Welcome and Introduction and Opening Statement on behalf of Paul Wheelhouse MSP, Minister for Community Safety and Legal Affairs            Alasdair Hay, Chief Fire Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

11:15-11:30        Conference outline            Simon Thorp, Representing Scottish Wildfire Forum & England and Wales Wildfire Forum

11:30-12:15hrs    The organisation of Initial Attack and Prevention 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**



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- 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
- 14:45-15:15hrs    Wildfire: What is the landowner's role?    Lord David Johnstone, Chairman Scottish Land and Estates
- 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
<b>Main Auditorium</b>	<b>Room 1</b>	<b>Room 2</b>
<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> Ester Willemsen, Jan Slakhorst and Nienke Brouwer, IFV 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> Alex Held, European Forest Institute and Philip Frost, Merake 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*).

**19:30 - 22:45 hrs** Conference networking dinner (informal), Cambuslang Training Centre



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### Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2015

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

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

**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 D, E or F.

Session D – Wildfire Prevention – Local to Regional	Session E – Fire Investigation damage and insurance	Session F – Workshop Fire Danger Rating Systems
<b>Main Auditorium</b>	<b>Room 1</b>	<b>Room 2</b>
<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><b>Fire Danger Rating System developments in the UK.</b></p> <p>Led by Simon Thorp Director, Heather Trust</p> <p>With</p> <p><i>An introduction to FDRS</i></p> <p>Grant Pearce, New Zealand Forest Research Institute Ltd.</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,</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>	

**\*Note - Remembrance Day Minute Silence at 11.00**

**11:15-11:45hrs Refreshment break**

11:45-12:15hrs National Operational Guidance for Wildfires CFO Alex Bennett, Northumberland FRS, Janet Guthrie, Robert Stacey , SM David Hodge

12:15-12:45hrs 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)



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12:45-13:45hrs	<b>Lunch</b>	
13:45-14:15hrs	The Eastern Mourne Wildfire Initiative: understanding the problem and a shared response	GC Randy McComb NIFRS, Colum McDaid DOENI, Matthew Bushby, MMHT
14:15-14:45hrs	Recent Wildfire Prevention activities carried out by the Scottish FRS	LSO Scott Hay, Scottish FRS
14:45 – 15:15	<b>Panel led: Question and Answer session</b>	CFO Alex Bennett, DACO Andy Coueslant, Michael Bruce and Simon Thorp
<b>15:15</b>	<b>Close</b>	