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Low Carbon Cities Conference
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The ICC, Birmingham



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Seminar Options

There are two seminar sessions during the Conference. Delegates are invited to select one option for each session from the following options:

- Morning Session:
- A) Accelerating City-Wide Carbon Reduction (*Hall 11*)
 - B) State of Play Audit & LCCP Toolkit - Insights across the Core Cities (*Hall 6*)
 - C) City-Wide Project Exemplars - Opportunity Mapping (*Hall 7a*)
 - D) Support from the Carbon Trust (*Hall 7b*)
- Afternoon Session:
- A) Accelerating City-Wide Carbon Reduction (*Hall 11*)
 - B) State of Play Audit & LCCP Toolkit - Insights across the Core Cities (*Hall 6*)
 - C) City-Wide Project Exemplars - Opportunity Mapping (*Hall 7a*)
 - E) Support from the Energy Saving Trust (*Hall 7b*)

We are also delighted to be able to offer delegates a tour of the ICC's combined heat and power plant during the seminar sessions. Places have been pre-booked on a first-come-first-served basis.

A) Accelerating City-Wide Carbon Reduction (*Hall 11*)

Representatives from Bristol, Leeds and Manchester will provide delegates with specific examples of how they have taken the concept of a low carbon city forward and explore how this could be replicated in other cities.

George Munson, Climate Change Officer at Leeds City Council and Project Manager for their Low Carbon Cities Programme, will open this seminar and explain to delegates how Leeds worked closely with over 100 stakeholders from across a wide variety of city partners to formulate their Climate Change Strategy. He will then discuss how these relationships are now being further developed as the Strategy is put into action.

The Bristol perspective in this seminar will come from Lorraine Hudson, Bristol City Council's Climate Change and Built Environment Co-ordinator. She will share with delegates how the LCCP has been used in Bristol to build upon the existing Green Capital Initiative. Key to this success has been how Bristol has engaged with partners to map existing activities, identify support needs, share best practice and explore how they can work together to make Bristol a low carbon city.

Steve Turner, Head of Carbon Economy at Manchester Enterprise, and Darren Pegram, Corporate and Sustainability Policy Manager at Stockport City Council, will focus on Manchester's 'Mini-Stern' review, commissioned to assess the economic impact of climate change legislation and policy on economic growth in the city, and also share their experiences of inter-authority working across a City Region.

B) State of Play Audit & LCCP Toolkit - Insights across the Core Cities (*Hall 6*)

The Low Carbon Cities Programme has undertaken a targeted State of Play audit of stakeholders in a range of public sector organisations across all eight of the Core Cities. These interviews have been used to develop understanding of where cities - and their different public bodies - have made progress in defining and implementing successful carbon reduction policies, programmes

and initiatives. A toolkit has also been developed to support cities in their ongoing engagement with stakeholders.

During this seminar, Tim Curtis, Director of Energy Consultancy and Programmes at AEA Energy & Environment, will review the State of Play evidence and allow delegates to discuss and exchange their own experiences in the light of the Programme's findings. The session will represent a key opportunity for delegates to learn from the collective and individual experience of their peers in embedding and taking forward carbon reduction across their organisations

C) City-Wide Project Exemplars - Opportunity Mapping (*Hall 7a*)

Taking a strategic look at the way in which your city is laid out can provide powerful insights into the opportunities that are available to reduce your carbon impact. Each locality has an individual energy 'thumbprint' in respect of age, form, density and mix of uses of the buildings within it as well as its proximity to energy infrastructure and transport networks and the potential for low and zero carbon technologies. Knowing what to look for across these localities can lead to golden opportunities for growing and developing cities.

Michael King from the Combined Heat and Power Association, will draw from a new guide published jointly with the Town and Country Planning Association called "Community Energy: Urban Planning for a Low Carbon Future" to help delegates see the potential in their own cities when it comes to city-wide energy solutions. Case studies will be provided from cities that have already taken this strategic approach with excellent results.

D) Support from the Carbon Trust (*Hall 7b*)

This seminar will profile two independent companies funded by the Carbon Trust that are able to offer support- right now - to cities wanting to develop a low carbon profile.

Kevin McDonald, Business Development Manager for Salix Finance, will explain to delegates how the Salix fund operates and how it can be accessed, before giving details of funds already in place in each of the Core Cities and the carbon savings that have been realised as a result. Case study material will be provided to give delegates real examples of what can be achieved through this innovative funding mechanism.

Andrew Macdonald, Commercial Director of Partnerships for Renewables (PFR), will briefly outline the PFR business plan to delegates, explaining the way in which its offering of community-scale wind farms on brown-field sites can help cities contribute to a low carbon environment. There will be opportunities to discuss market practices for the sale of renewable electricity and what activities contribute to sustainability targets within the current regulatory environment.

E) Support from the Energy Saving Trust (*Hall 7b*)

Set up by the UK Government in response to the 1992 Earth Summit in Rio de Janeiro, the Energy Saving Trust is addressing the damaging effects of climate change by cutting carbon dioxide emissions from household energy consumption and road transport. To achieve this they promote the use of cleaner fuels for transport, and better insulation and heating efficiency for buildings and homes, and champion small-scale renewable energy, such as solar and wind power.

In this seminar, Catherine Monaghan, Energy Saving Trust's Regional Manager for the North West, and Lewis Morrison, Head of Local Authority Services, will give details of programmes, advice and support available to cities as they work towards their low carbon goals on both a strategic and operational level. Delegates will have an opportunity to discuss opportunities open to and constraints faced by their cities across the domestic and road transport sectors and through relationships with local, regional and central government, communities and businesses.