



The Royal
Environmental
Health Institute
of Scotland

ANNUAL ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH FORUM

Resilience; Professional, Local and National Perspectives

WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL 2024

HYBRID EVENT

QUEEN MARGARET UNIVERSITY,
MUSSELBURGH, EDINBURGH

FOOD LAW



HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK



ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH



BUILT ENVIRONMENT



WASTE MANAGEMENT



POLLUTION CONTROL



Improving and protecting health and wellbeing in Scotland through education, training and qualifications in Environmental Health

Introduction

The REHIS Annual Environmental Health Forum will cover a wide range of updates relevant to professionals in both the public and private sectors. The forum provides an ideal opportunity for delegates to connect with one another, and to enhance their knowledge, skills, and competences in all environmental health activities. Additionally, the option of joining in hybrid is available for those who are not able to attend in person.

This year's Forum under the theme 'Resilience; Professional, Local and National Perspectives' comprises of a full day session on Wednesday 24 April 2024 at Queen Margaret University. We have an excellent line up of acclaimed speakers from key organisations. The full programme is detailed below.

I look forward to welcoming you to our Forum.

Lynn Crothers, President

Programme

9.00am onwards REGISTRATION

Session 1 Chair: Alan Morrison, Senior Vice-President, REHIS

9.15am **WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**
Provost of East Lothian – John McMillan

9.30am **OPENING ADDRESS**
Jenni Minto MSP, Minister for Public Health and Women's health

9.45am **PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS**
Lynn Crothers, President, REHIS
Presentation of the Meritorious Endeavours in Environmental Health Award

10.30am REFRESHMENT BREAK

Session 2 Chair: Lindsey-Anne McNeil, Junior Vice-President, REHIS

11.00am Presentation of REHIS Honorary Vice-President Award

11.10am **THE EFFECT OF CLIMATE ON POPULATION HEALTH, WELLBEING & EQUITY**
Dr Michelle Gillies, Consultant in Public Health Medicine, Public Health Scotland

11.40am **LOCAL AND NATIONAL RESILIENCE NETWORKS**
John Beresford – Scottish Government

12.10pm **COMMUNITY COLLABORATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH:
INSIGHTS FROM THE GALLANT PROJECT**
Dr Ria Dunkley, Professor in Environmental and Climate Science (School of Geographical & Earth Sciences) at Glasgow University

12.45pm LUNCH

Session 3 Chair: Martin Henry, Honorary Treasurer

1.45pm Presentation of REHIS Fellowship Awards

1.55pm **RURAL & ISLAND COMMUNITY LED PROJECTS; WATER SUPPLY, DRAINAGE & WASTEWATER MANAGEMENT**
Dr Elizabeth Lawson – Newcastle University

2.25pm **CLIMATE CHANGE AND FLOODING IN SCOTLAND**
Vincent Fitzsimons and Victoria Kennedy, SEPA

2.55pm **SUSTAINING AND MAINTAINING A RESILIENT WORKFORCE**
Craig Brown - Society of Chief Officers in Environmental Health in Scotland

3.15pm REFRESHMENT BREAK

Session 4 Chair: Lynn Crothers, President, REHIS

3.30pm **THE TIME MANAGEMENT EXERCISE, RESOURCE CALCULATOR AND THE BENEFITS OF THE DATA**
Chris Seyfried and Billy Hamilton, Food Standards Scotland

4.00pm Presentation of the President's Award

4.05pm **HEALTHY VALLEYS – 'RESILIENT COMMUNITIES'**
Simone Janse Van Rensberg

4.15pm **CLOSING REMARKS**
Lynn Crothers, REHIS President

4.30 pm **FINISH**