



**World Heritage UK Annual Conference 2021
 'Climate Change and World Heritage'
 21-23 September - Online
 Draft Programme v16 (working doc) – 3 half-days**

DAY ONE - THE BIG PICTURE

13.00 - 15.00 Main Session 1: Welcome and Introduction to Climate Change
Session Chair: Tony Crouch

13.00 – 13.15 Welcome - Tony Crouch, Chair of Trustees, World Heritage UK

13.15 – 14.15 'The Climate Crisis and its solutions' – Presentation by Ali Webb, Climate Reality Leader, Climate Reality Project Europe

14.15 – 14.45 Discussion and questions

14.45 – 15.15 Break

15.15 – 17.15 Main Session 2: International perspectives on the impact of climate change on World Heritage Sites
Session Chair: Don Gobbett, WHUK Trustee and Chair of its Climate Change Group

15.15 – 15.35 'The international perspective' – Peter Shadie, Senior Adviser on World Heritage, International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN).

15.35 – 15.55 UNESCO policies and guidance – Kate Pugh, Non-Executive Director for Culture at the UK National Commission for UNESCO

15.55 – 16.15 China's reaction to the World Heritage conservation under the background of climate change - Prof. Hongtau Liu, Associate Professor, School of Architecture, Southwest Jiaotong University, Peoples Republic of China

16.15 – 16.30 Panel discussion and questions

16.30 – 17.00 Elevator pitches and World Heritage Site updates – Rebecca Hartley (Blaenavon), others

17.15 – 19.00 Break

19.00 – 20.30 Evening reflection 1: Sustainable Tourism – Manda Brookman, Director, Permanently Brilliant
Session Chair: tbc

An hour's discussion followed by a relaxed half hour of chat in breakout groups.

DAY TWO – UK OVERVIEW + CLIMATE CHANGE AND MANAGEMENT PLANS

13.00 - 15.00 Main Session 3: Climate change and UK World Heritage Sites – an overview

Session Chair: Ian Wray

13.00 – 13.20 ‘Wales and climate change’ – Kathryn Roberts, Head of Historic Environment, Cadw, Jill Bullen, Lead Specialist Advisor: Landscape, Natural Resources Wales and Louise Barker, Senior Archaeologist, Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales.

13.20 – 13.40 ‘Historic England and climate change’ – Hannah Fluck, Head of Environmental Strategy

13.40 – 14.00 ‘Resistance, adaptation, acceptance: managing climate change risk to cultural heritage in Scotland’ – Dr Mairi Davies, Climate Change Policy Manager, Historic Environment Scotland

14.00 – 14.20 ‘Climate change and The National Trust’ – Patrick Begg, Outdoors and Natural Resources Director, The National Trust

14.20 – 15.00 Panel discussion and questions

15.00-15.30 Break

15.30 - 17.15 Main Session 4: How to integrate climate change into World Heritage Site management plans

Session Chair: Jane Gibson

15.30 – 15.50 ‘World Heritage and UN Sustainable Development Goals’ – Ainsley Cocks, Cornwall and West Devon Mining Landscape World Heritage Site

15.50 – 16.10 “Understanding climate change threat in the context of the Old and New Towns of Edinburgh World Heritage Site and informing the next Management Plan” – Jenny Bruce, Edinburgh World Heritage Site Coordinator and Yann Grandgirard, Climate Emergency Manager, Edinburgh World Heritage

16.10 – 16.30 English Lake District Management Plan – Mairi Lock, World Heritage Site Coordinator, The English Lake District

16.30 – 17.20 Question and answer session with speakers and UNESCO UK National Commission

17.20 – 19.00 Break

19.00 – 20.30 Evening celebration: Welcome to new and tentative World Heritage Sites - An hour’s presentations followed by a relaxed half hour of chat in breakout groups Session Chair: Sam Rose

19.00 – 19.20 ‘The Slate Landscape of North Wales’ – Hannah Joyce and Roland Evans, Gwynedd Council

19.20 – 19.40 ‘The Great Spa Towns of Europe – transcending boundaries’ – Paul Simons, Secretary General, Great Spas of Europe

19.40 – 20.00 ‘The Flow Country - The UK’s Next World Heritage Site and its Role in Fighting Climate Change’ – Steven Andrews, Highland Council

20.00 – 20.30 Informal chat in breakout groups

DAY THREE – CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION

13.00 – 14.30 Session 5: Climate change mitigation

Session chair: Max Bryant

13.00 - 13.20 'Warm feet are happy feet - low carbon heating for Cleveland Pools' – Anna Baker, Project Director, Cleveland Pools Trust

13.20 - 13.40 'Encouraging climate friendly transport for tourism' – Dominic Hare, Chief Executive, Blenheim Palace

13.40 – 14.00 'Retrofit, building conservation and materials' – Lila Angelaka Senior Technical Officer, Technical Research Team, Historic Environment Scotland

14.00 - 14.30 Elevator pitches – Dominic Hare (Blenheim Palace), Lucinda Lycett (Ironbridge Gorge) others...

14.30 – 15.00 Break

15.00 - 17.15 Session 6: Climate change adaptation and close of conference

Session chair: Don Gobbett

15.00 - 15.20 'Climate Vulnerability Index' – Rebecca Jones, Head of Archaeology and World Heritage, Historic Environment Scotland

15.20 – 15.40 'A Flood Resilient Future?' - Edward Barsley, Founder of The Environmental Design Studio

15.40 – 16.00 'The Skell Valley Project - from Yorkshire to Uganda, working with partners to adapt our World Heritage Sites to climate change' – Sarah France, World Heritage Site Coordinator, and Justin Scully, General Manager, Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal Estate

16.00 – 16.30 Panel discussion and questions on both mitigation and adaptation

16.30 – 17.00 Development or agreement of WHUK Climate Change Position Statement/message to COP – Chair of Board

17.00 – 17.15 Closing remarks: Chair of Board