



AGENDAS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CONFERENCE AGENDA

10.00 - **Welcome Address**
 10.05 **Rona Dougall**, *Presenter, Scotland Tonight*



10.05 - **Ministerial Opening Address**
 10.15 **Ivan McKee MSP**, *Minister for Public Finance, Scottish Government*



10.15 - **AI: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly**
 10.40 **Natalie Lafferty**, *Assistant Director LLC and Head of Centre for Technology & Innovation in Learning, The University of Dundee*



10.40 - **AI, Innovation and Big Data: What are the Potential Risks and Benefits for Procurement in Scotland?**
 11.05 **Tom Wilkinson**, *Chief Data Officer, Scottish Government & Denis McFadden*, *Head of Procurement Services Division, Scottish Government*



11.20 - **Panel Session: Technology, AI, Procurement and Innovation**
 12.00 **Nick Ford**, *Director of Procurement & Property, Scottish Government*
 12.00 **Natalie Rafferty**, *Assistant Director LLC and Head of Centre for Technology & Innovation in Learning, The University of Dundee*
 12.00 **Julie Welsh**, *Chief Executive, Scotland Excel*
 12.00 **Mark Elliott**, *Director, CivTech Programme*



12.00 - **Creative Tech in Public Governance: Innovative Solutions for Community Transformation**
 12.45 **Zoe Scaman**, *Founder, Bodacious*



Social Value & Net Zero Zone

10.35 - **Using Social Recruitment to Achieve Social Value Goals**
 11.00 **Laura Savage**, *Director for Partner & Social Value Services PeoplePlus UK*

11.05 - **Engaging on Net Zero in Higher Education Procurement**
 11.30 **Andy Anderson**, *Category Director for Estates, APUC & Amy Ledger*, *Senior Sustainability Manager, APUC*

12.05 - **Social Enterprise Supply Chain: Buying and Selling with Impact**
 12.30 **Jamie Lawson**, *Strategic Partnerships and Engagement Lead, Social Enterprise Scotland*

13.35 - **Supplier and Community Benefit Outcomes**
 14.00 **Gary Stewart**, *Procurement Development Manager, Glasgow City Council*

14.05 - **Delivering Social Value with the New Build Residential Housing Framework**
 14.30 **Representative**, *Scotland Excel*

14.35 - **An Overview of the Procurement People of Tomorrow Programme**
 15.00 **Representative**, *Procurement People of Tomorrow*

Technology & Innovation Zone

10.40 - **The Digital Alarm Receiving Centre Framework**
 11.05 **Representative**, *Scotland Excel*

The University of Edinburgh – The Risk Management Approach to Sustainability in their Supply Chain
 12.30 - **Iwona Cameron**, *Senior Climate, Biodiversity and Sustainability Manager, University of Edinburgh* & **Sion Pickering**, *Sustainable Business & Fair Trade Programme Manager, University of Edinburgh*



14.00 - **GO Awards Finalists**
 14.20 **Drinks Reception**

14.20 - **Interviews with our GO Awards Scotland 2024/25 Finalists**
 15.00 *Hosted by Rona Dougall, Presenter and Journalist, Scotland Tonight*

SME Engagement Zone

Data from the Buyers Market: What are they Buying, and who are they Buying from?
 10.30 - **Kevin Lewis**, *Business Development Manager, Delta eSourcing and Supply Chain*

The Objectives and Benefits of the DPS for Supported Business
 11.30 - **Alistair Kerr**, *Director & Chair, BASE Scotland Network*

Understanding the Public Sector Market: Trends, Intel and Opportunities
 12.00 - **Dawn McTaggart**, *Senior Key Account Manager, Tracker Intelligence*

Progressive Procurement and Supplier Engagement
 12.30 - **Fiona Conti**, *Strategic Procurement Manager (Interim), Commercial and Procurement Shared Service Supplier Development Programme & Gillian Cameron*, *Programme Manager, Supplier Development Programme*

Contracting with SMEs: What you Need to Know
 13.30 - **Ian Schollar**, *Head of CIPS Business Centre, CIPS*

Implementing the Scan for Safety Programme Point of Care and the Medical Device Data Hub
 14.30 - **Representative**, *NHS National Services Scotland*

Doing Business with the Defence Sector
 15.00 - **Representative**, *Ministry of Defence*

Infrastructure Zone

EV Charging Infrastructure and the Transition to Net Zero: The Opportunities for Suppliers
 10.45 - **Alistair Young**, *Associate Director, Net Zero Transport, Scottish Futures Trust*

Contract Management for Non-Contract Managers in Infrastructure Procurement
 11.15 - **Ian Schollar**, *Head of CIPS Business Study Centre, CIPS*

Procurement in Transport Scotland
 12.15 - **John MacIntyre**, *Head of Procurement and Contracts, Major Projects, Transport Scotland*

The Engineering and Technical Consultancy Framework
 12.45 - **Representative**, *Scotland Excel*

A Deep Dive on the New Civil Engineering Framework & DPS
 13.15 - **Brendan Little**, *Portfolio Manager, Collaborative Procurement, Scottish Government* & **Clare Paterson**, *Principal Construction Policy Adviser, Scottish Government*

