



Illuminating the Future: Balancing Light and Dark Nightscapes

27 March 2025

Detailed Agenda

09:45: Coffee and refreshments.

10.15: Welcome and Introduction

- Dan Lister MSc BEng (Hons) FSLL, President SLL and Helen Loomes FSLL, Conference Curator

10.30: Session 1: A high-level overview of lighting; understanding the consequences

- The benefits to road users of lighting after dark: Professor Steve Fotios, CEng, FSLL, MILP, PhD, BEng(Hons), FHEA, PGCE, University of Sheffield.
- Addressing the Biological and Ecological Impacts of Artificial Light at Night: Dr Michael Wells PHD MA BA(Hons) RDI CEng CSci CBiol C.WEM FRSA FCIEEM MRSB MCIWEM Biodiversity by Design Ltd
- How does a designer interpret this: Dan Lister MSc BEng (Hons) FSLL, President SLL, Director Arup.
- The Balancing Act – Design Considerations in Urban Lighting: Mark Major RDI RIBA FRIAS FIALD, Speirs Major and Benz Roos MA BA Speirs Major.
- Discussion: facilitated by Mike Simpson FEng Past Pres SLL, CIBSE & ILE. Signify.

12.30: Lunch

13.30: Session 2: Focussed research

- The influence of darkness and lighting on crime: Dr Jim Uttley. University of Sheffield
- Social Lighting: Research into aging in urban public space: Don Slater LSE Sociology/Configuring Light research group
- Inclusive lighting: Women and girls and after-dark public space: Elettra Bordonaro, March, Phd Visting Policy Fellow at LSE, director at Light Follows Behaviour
- Future considerations – what problems are looming. Professor Peter Raynham Ex UCL Past Pres SLL
- Discussion: facilitated by Ruth Kelly Waskett PhD CEng MCIBSE FSLL Project Director (Lighting), Hoare Lea LLP

15.30: Coffee break

16.00: Session 3: Case Studies paving the way to a regenerative future

- The conflict - Humans vs Environment – Can standards help?: Alistair Scott Past Pres ILP, Chairman DFL-UK Ltd and Ryan Carroll Ba Past Chair of YLP, DFL-UK Ltd
- Lush Valleys to Desert Dunes: Designing for Pristine Skies: Andrew Bissell FSLL MILP MCIBSE Past Pres SLL, Ridge & Ptnrs
- The Light We Love, The Damage We Ignore: A Call for Conservation: Chiara Carucci - Founder and Principal - Noctua Cultural & Natural Heritage Lighting Design

17.15: The debate, experts and delegates.

Chaired by Florence Lam Hon FSLL, Arup Fellow, Visiting prof at UCL Bartlett IEDE. Open to audience afterwards.

18.30: Opportunity for discussion and networking.