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CHESFORD GRANGE, KENILWORTH, CV8 THURSDAY, 21ST MARCH 2024



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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

09:00 - 09:30 | Registration and Refreshments

09:30 - 09:40 | Introduction

Graeme Kennett, REA Organics Forum Chair, Mabbett & Associates

09:40 - 11:00 | Session 1: Navigating Policy and Regulations

SESSION CHAIR - Graeme Kennett, REA Organics Chair & Mabbett & Associates

Presentation 1: The future of kerbside organic collections in England, Daniel Roberts, WRAP

Presentation 2: Regulatory Update from the Environment Agency, Sean McKay, Environment Agency

PANEL DISCUSSION: Simpler Recycling reforms

- Grant Keenan, Keenan Recycling
- James Hay, WRM
- Jacqui MacCaig, Olleco

11:00 - 11:30 - Refreshments and Networking

11:30 - 12:50 | Session 2: Organic Waste Recycling from Bins to Site

SESSION CHAIR - Sean Fells, WRM

Presentation 1: Applying a behaviour change approach to encourage sustainable waste behaviours,

Dr Nicola Buckland, Sheffield University

Presentation 2: Digital waste tracking, Dave Gudgeon, Reconomy

Presentation 3: Accounting for compost and digestate under the GHG protocol, Megan Muller-Girard, REAL

Research Hub

12:50 - 14:00 - Lunch

14:00 - 15:20 | Session 3: Capturing the Benefits of Circular Bioresources

SESSION CHAIR - Dr Becky Wheeler, Future Biogas

Presentation 1: AD&C, Dr Robin Szmidt, Target Renewables

Presentation 2: Managing nutrient neutrality requirements, Anna Becvar, Earthcare Technical

Presentation 3: Enriching the earth - replacing peat, Trewin Restorick, Enrich the Earth, Sizzle

15:20 - 15:50 - Refreshments and Networking

15:50 - 17:00 | Session 4: Innovation in the Sector

SESSION CHAIR - Jenny Grant, REA

Presentation 1: Biochar's role in mitigating climate change, Dominique Helaine, SUEZ International (virtual)

Presentation 2: Biodegradable packaging as a potent source of biogas following thermal hydrolysis

pre-treatment, Dr Andrew Walsh, Jones Celtic BioEnergy

Presentation 3: Pre-compost white biomass and compost oversize as a potential feedstock for biomass fuel to renewable energy power stations, **Bill Griffiths**, Melton Renewable Energy

16:50 - 17:00 | Closing Remarks

Jenny Grant, REA

GALA DINNER | Drinks Reception: 7:00pm | Dinner: 8:00pm | Casino: till late

Dress Code: Black Tie



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GUEST SPEAKERS



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Daniel RobertsWaste and Recycling Specialist, WRAP



Anna BecvarDirector, Earthcare Technical



Trewin RestorickFounder, Sizzle Innovation



Dr Nicola Buckland Senior Lecturer in Psychology, Sheffield University



Sean McKay Sludge Strategy Implementation Manager, Environment Agency



Dominique Hellaine Carbon Solutions Director, SUEZ International



Sean Fells Senior Consultant, WRM



Dave Gudgeon
Divisional Head of External Affairs,
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Graeme Kennett

REA Organics Chair & Principal
Environmental Consultant, Mabbett &
Associates



Dr Robin SzmidtDirector: Target Renewables



Dr Andrew WalshTechnical Director, Jones Celtic BioEnergy



Megan Muller-Girard Research Hub Manager, Renewable Energy Assurance



Grant KeenanManaging Director, Keenan Recycling



Dr Becky Wheeler Business Development Director, Future Biogas



James Hay
Head of Procurement and Due Diligence,
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Jacqui MacCaig Commercial Manager - AD, Olleco



Bill Griffiths Commercial Director, Melton Renewable Energy





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For more information or to join us email - membership@r-e-a.net

The REA is the UK's largest trade association for renewable energy and clean technologies with around 500 member organisations operating across transport, heat & cooling, power & flex and the circular economy. The REA is a not-for-profit trade association representing 14 industry sectors, ranging from biogas to renewable fuels and organics recycling to energy from waste, and solar to electric vehicle charging. Member organisations range from multinationals to sole traders.

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