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Join our national face-to-face conference for access to the latest on significant infrastructure projects to exploring macro-economic trends and the impact on the Welsh property and construction industry.

Discover how Wales is driving sustainability and achieving net zero goals, from utilizing natural resources, retrofitting existing properties, and integral Government initiatives. Navigate through the challenges, discuss how to overcome local barriers, and establish what we can all do to contribute to reducing carbon emissions from the built environment.

Delve into pioneering local case studies that explore being more energy efficient and the latest on building conservation and rural surveying.

Learn direct from a diverse selection of experts, which range from government officials to industry thought leaders.

Enrich your knowledge by networking with your peers and leading experts in the field.

RICS Wales Conference

13 June 2023

Voco at St. David's Hotel, Cardiff Bay

Programme

09:00	Registration & networking
10:00	Welcome Remarks from the Conference Chair Ian Steele FRICS , Associate, ChandlerKBS
10:10	Welcome by RICS Emma Causer , Interim Director UK&I Market, RICS
10:20	Opening Address Discover the latest political landscape: what initiatives should we be aware of? Learn direct from the Welsh government, who will provide an overview of their current policies that are relevant to the surveying profession. <i>Video presentation - Julie James MS</i> , Minister for Climate Change, Welsh Government Jonathan Fudge , Head of Planning Policy, Welsh Government Richard Baker , Deputy Director, Welsh Government Tim Howard , Deputy Director Property, Economic Infrastructure, Welsh Government
10:50	A macro-economic outlook: what is the current state of the Welsh market? Explore the latest economic forecast for the property market and construction industry, amidst rising inflation, fuel, labour, and energy costs. Gain insight on how the economy is expected to perform in Wales. Nick Bennett , Director, Economics, Savills
11:30	Networking and refreshment break
12:00	Sustainability & Net Zero Deep dive: explore the projects and initiatives to achieve sustainability goals Achieving the 2050 net zero target, requires drastic action and significant strategies. This expert panel will present on a range of projects and initiatives from Wales, to share what's currently in place and to explore how to continually evolve and grow sustainable practices. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What is the current framework for achieving net zero?• Key learnings from the first net zero school in Wales.• Latest research on the energy retrofit of historic timber framed buildings. Panel Moderator: Dr. Simon Hatherley , Senior Building Performance Architect, Allford Hall Monaghan Morris Chris Jofeh , Chair, Independent Implementation Group on the Decarbonisation of Existing Homes, Welsh Government Dr Chris Whitman , Senior Lecturer, MSc Sustainable Building Conservation, Welsh School of Architecture Sam Rees , Senior Public Affairs Officer, Wales, RICS
13:00	Lunch break Stream A Chair - Ian Steele FRICS , Associate, ChandlerKBS Stream B Chair – Carwyn Rees BSc (Hons) MRICS FAAV , Associate, Owen & Owen
14:00	1A –Infrastructure Hear the latest on the largest infrastructure projects, including Celtic Freeport <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the latest developments, including renewable energy?• What are some of the barriers and challenges?• What are the key learnings and opportunities? Dr. Jenifer Baxter , Deputy Chair, National Infrastructure Commission for Wales Tom Sawyer , Chief Executive Officer, MHPA

14:00	<p>1B - Energy Efficiency</p> <p>Essential retrofitting strategies for the residential market</p> <p>Retrofitting plays a significant role when addressing the needs to improving the energy efficiency of existing buildings. This session will provide insight on how property in Wales in performing, what may be causing poor EPC ratings and the strategies in place to improve energy efficiency.</p> <p>Corrina Jones BA(Hons), PgDip, MRICS, Environment and Sustainability Manager, e.surv Chartered Surveyors</p>
14:45	<p><i>Transfer between sessions</i></p> <p>2A Transport</p> <p>What is the direction of travel in Wales?</p> <p>Join this session to explore the Wales Transport Strategy and its drive to deliver a more accessible, sustainable, and efficient transport system.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the latest on Wales transport policy? • Keep up to date with the latest plans in active travel and the Metro. <p>Panel moderator: Oisín Fitzpatrick FRICS, Commercial Director, Arcadis Christopher Warner, Deputy Director for Transport Policy and Strategy, Welsh Government Deb Harding, Head of Transport Strategy, Planning & Metros, Welsh Government</p>
14:50	<p>2B – Commercial Real Estate</p> <p>The 2023 Rating List</p> <p>The next revaluation of non-domestic property will take place this year, with new rating lists to being introduced from the 1st of April. Join this panel of experts, who were part of the process of compiling and publishing the new ratings lists.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on 2023 rating list outcomes for Wales • Check Challenge Appeal/Gwirio Herio Apelio • What you and your clients will need to do? <p>Helen Zammit-Willson MRICS, Director, National Valuation Unit Jane Shankland, Director, Cooke & Arkwright</p>
15:35	Networking and refreshment break
15:50	<p>Latest on RICS Metrics</p> <p>Matt Haynes MRICS, Senior Quantity Surveyor, Glyndwr Consulting Ltd</p>
16:00	<p>Hear the latest from Lionheart</p> <p>Equality and Diversity</p> <p>How is Wales and the RICS striving to be more inclusive? What incentives are currently in Wales and what can we do as a profession to celebrate and encourage more diversity in the industry?</p> <p>Sunil Patel, Director, No Boundaries Training and Consultancy Sybil Taunton, Head of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, RICS</p>
16:55	<p>Closing remarks from the Conference Chair</p> <p>Ian Steele FRICS, Associate, ChandlerKBS</p>
17:00	End of conference

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