

## Conference Timetable

<b>Wednesday 19</b> 6:30pm 7:45pm-9:00pm 9:30pm	Optional trip around Lewis PM Registration and buffet - Lews Castle College <b>Conference</b> Drinks Reception - Lews Castle College - Foyer
<b>Thursday 20</b> 9am-5:00pm 7:00pm	<b>Conference</b> Buffet/Ceilidh - Stornoway Golf Club
<b>Friday 21</b> 9am-12:30pm	<b>Conference</b>

Event sponsors:



## Conference Programme

<b>Day 1</b>	<b>Wednesday 19 March</b>	
<b>6:30pm</b>	<b>Registration &amp; buffet</b>	
<b>7:45</b>	<b>Welcome by Alexander Macdonald, Convener, Comhairle nan Eilean Siar</b>	
	<b>THE WESTERN ISLES - CREATING SUSTAINABLE FUTURES</b>	
	<b>A RENEWABLES CONTEXT</b>	
	<b>David Currie, WIAREP, Chair</b>	<b>WIAREP</b>
	Maf Smith, Scottish Renewables Forum	Renewables in Scotland
	Sandy Cumming, Highlands & Islands Enterprise	<b>Key note address</b> - The enterprise role in renewables
	Nick Goodall, British Wind Energy Association	The future of wind energy
<b>9:30</b>	Drinks Reception	In foyer of Lews Castle College

<b>Day 2</b>	<b>Thursday 20 March</b>	
<b>9:00am</b>	<b>WESTERN ISLES AND RENEWABLE ENERGY POTENTIAL</b>	
	<b>Donald M Mackay Chair</b>	
	Robin Naysmith, Scottish Executive Michael Scott, Deputy Chair, Scottish Natural Heritage Discussion session	<b>Key note address</b> - The potential within Scotland Natural Heritage considerations
<b>10:10</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>10:30</b>	Helen Snodin, Garrad Hassan  John Benson, Newcastle University  David Telford, Scottish & Southern Energy  Discussion session	Western Isles resources and development considerations Western Isles - a landscape for change? Western Isles grid connection issues
<b>12:00</b>	<b>LUNCH</b>	
<b>1:00</b>	<b>WESTERN ISLES AND COMMUNITY BENEFIT</b>	
	<b>Calum MacDonald MP Chair</b>	
	Eric Dodd, Highlands & Islands Enterprise Ron Beard, Halcrow Consultants  Discussion Session Peter Crone, Farm Energy  Iain MacIver, Stornoway Trust  Simon Fraser, Anderson & MacArthur & Co  Discussion session	Community benefits and models Impacts - skills, employment, business and the community  Developing wind projects in the Western Isles community A community land owners role Crofting, land and wind farms
<b>3:20</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
	<b>WESTERN ISLES AND MARINE ENERGY</b>	
<b>3:40</b>	Dr Phil Thompson, British Maritime Technology Ltd. David Langston, Wavegen  Ken Stewart, Rotech Engineering Discussion session	Marine Energy – the offshore potential Wavegen and the Western Isles Rotech Tidal Turbine  <b>Close at 5:00pm</b>

<b>Day 3</b>		<b>Friday 21 March</b>
<b>9:00am</b>	<b>WESTERN ISLES AND LARGE WIND FARMS</b> <b>David Still (DTI) Chair</b>	
	David Still, DTI	Wind Power in the UK
	Andrew Murfin, British Energy	Lewis Wind Power Ltd
	Brian Smith, Scottish & Southern Energy	Scottish & Southern – projects in the Western Isles
	David Williams, Cambrian Engineering	The potential of the Arnish yard
	Discussion Session	
<b>10:45</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>11:00</b>	<b>CREATING SUSTAINABLE FUTURES</b> <b>Alasdair Morrison, MSP Chair</b>	
	Loyala de Palacio European Transport & Energy Commissioner	Renewable Energy- driving forces in Europe
	Sir Mark Moody-Stuart	Advice on the future for the Western Isles
	Brian Wilson, MP UK Energy Minister	<b>Key note address</b>
	Discussion Session	
<b>12:30</b>	David Currie WIAREP	<b>Conference Close</b>
	<b>LUNCH</b>	

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