

# BRE Events Programme 2013-2014

## **A practical guide to Energy Performance Unlocking savings in a financially challenging environment 11 April, London**

Public and private sector organisations face challenges in reducing energy costs and achieving carbon targets. Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs) are an alternative financing mechanism designed to accelerate investment in cost effective energy saving or renewable energy measures in either public or private sector non-domestic property portfolios. This one-day conference, with interactive workshops will help you understand the process and the benefits, address challenges, share experiences and provide impartial advice on how to prepare a business case.  
[www.bre.co.uk/epc](http://www.bre.co.uk/epc)

## **Construction Products Regulation & Compliance – Changing the face of compliance 2 May, BRE, Watford**

CPD is being replaced by CPR (Construction Products Regulation) in July 2013. What steps need to be taken to ensure compliance? It's vital that any product manufacturers act now, to ensure all their products are tested and certified to use the CE mark by July.  
[www.bre.co.uk/cpr](http://www.bre.co.uk/cpr)

## **Health & Wellbeing conference May, BRE, Watford**

This one day conference will cover upstream investment in housing and care; how to make existing housing stock healthy and safe; how to ensure new homes are healthy and safe; home care for vulnerable people; behavioural challenges; age friendly cities.



## **Gearing up for electric vehicles conference and exhibition 27 June, BRE, Watford**

Electric vehicles will feature strongly in the sustainable mobility agenda in the coming years. Policy makers in many countries are providing strong encouragement for mass take-up with incentives at end-user, manufacturing and community infrastructural levels. Manufacturers are bringing new products and services to market in increasing numbers. This one day conference and exhibition looks at 'sustainable automotive' conference, looking at EV, lighting, manufacturing processes. The conference will introduce BRE's new EV charging point certification scheme.  
[www.bre.co.uk/ev](http://www.bre.co.uk/ev)

## **The 40 Percent Symposium 19 September, London**

Third in the series of 40 Symposium events aimed at senior executives across the commercial property sector; asset owners, investors and consultants discuss the impact of sustainability on value, occupier and investor attitudes. 40 Percent is a community of choice for all executives in commercial property who have an interest in the value implications of sustainability from an investment and occupational perspective.  
[www.40percentsymposium.com](http://www.40percentsymposium.com)

## **Solar Shading conference 24 September, BRE, Watford**

In today's high-tech, heavily insulated buildings, flexible, effective solar shading is more important than ever. Soaring energy costs and the rising summertime temperatures in our cities make it essential to consider shading at the early design stage. Solar control needs to be considered as part of the building services package to ensure a comfortable, energy efficient internal environment.

Solar shading has an important role to play in the refurbishment of existing buildings, too. Today, older buildings are often required to house high-tech workplaces, with exacting glare requirements and energy intensive IT equipment. Retrofitting solar shading can control glare and overheating, without the need to resort to expensive, energy hungry air conditioning.  
[www.bre.co.uk/solarshading](http://www.bre.co.uk/solarshading)

**INSITE13 – Buildings for people**  
**2-3 October, BRE, Watford**

The products and services that BRE offers ultimately affect people, whether it is helping to create comfortable, healthy, buildings; reducing fuel bills, making communities more sustainable and assisting the industry deliver quality buildings more efficiently. The conference will focus on four themes: Behavioural change, Communities, Impact of Buildings on Health, Technology.  
[www.insite13.com](http://www.insite13.com)

**UK Passivhaus conference**  
**16-17 October, London**

The UK Passivhaus Conference 2013 is being organised by BRE and the Passivhaus Trust, with a steering group that includes architects and academics. Passivhaus buildings provide a high level of occupant comfort while using very little energy for heating and cooling. The 2013 two day UK Passivhaus Conference and exhibition will offer a comprehensive review of the uptake of Passivhaus in the UK covering the standard and its suitability in the UK.  
<http://www.ukpassivhausconference.org.uk>

**Retail Lighting**  
**24 October, BRE, Watford**

One day lighting conference and exhibition which will cover material on new legislation in retail lighting and guidance on how to achieve energy savings, providing retailers, architects and designers with practical guidelines on both refurbishing existing lighting systems and developing new lighting solutions for their stores. A recently completed guidance document (BRE Report) will also be unveiled and provided to all attending delegates.

**BRE BIM Conference & Awards 2013**  
**6 November, London**

By 2016, BIM will be used on every government procured project and the benefits are also dramatically influencing private construction projects. Expert speakers will offer practical advice on developing BIM across the supply chain and delegates will gain insight into the UK's early adoption of BIM in meeting the Government's 2016 target. This one day conference will showcase IMPACT, allowing construction professionals to measure the embodied environmental impact and life cycle cost performance of buildings; and BuildingSMART, whose remit is to develop the standards and tools required to ensure that the industry knows what open BIM is and how to use it effectively to achieve greener, leaner and more efficient buildings and infrastructure in the UK.

**Flood resilience (Britain Under Water)**  
**5 February 2014, BRE, Watford**

The UK's recent devastating flooding brings into sharp focus the need to strengthen flooding resilience by building on progress made in implementing the flood and water act 2010, and by understanding key recommendations to prepare for climate change. 2013 is a pivotal year for stakeholders with secondary measures of the act due to be implemented and EU directive deadlines to be met. Delegates will be required to learn how to develop a robust flood risk management strategy for the 2015 deadline.  
[www.bre.co.uk/flooding](http://www.bre.co.uk/flooding)

**Green IT**  
**March 2014, BRE, Watford**

Green IT refers to the study and practice of using computers and IT resources in a more efficient and environmentally responsible way. Computers and computing eat up a lot of natural resources, from the raw materials needed to manufacture them, the power used to run them, and the problems of disposing them at end of life.

**Sustainable infrastructure**  
**March 2014, BRE, Watford**

Infrastructure is the key to creating a healthy, happy and thriving economic climate in communities around the world. It is important to our future success and plays a critical role in creating and enhancing sustainability. It is not simply the short-term provision of infrastructure that is of prime importance, but planning and designing infrastructure which takes full account of its own impact and its operational needs and use. Infrastructure must be sustainable if it is to benefit coming generations and make a positive contribution to the future. Providing such infrastructure now is an investment that will pay off many times over.



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