

# Retrofitting the Future

**YOUR PERSONAL INVITATION  
TO BRE GROUP'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

**Tuesday 15 May 2012**

**BP Theatre, The British Museum, London**





# Retrofitting the Future: welcome

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The BRE Group Annual Conference has become well established as a key event in the industry calendar. The event, held each May, brings together a hand picked audience from across the built environment sector to hear from some of the biggest influencers in today's marketplace.

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Our 2012 theme is 'Retrofitting the Future', and the Conference will explore the issues around getting the best carbon and financial returns for the refurbishment of our existing buildings and homes. As experts in their field, our speakers have been selected to represent these key areas.

The presentations will be followed by a panel discussion, concluding with refreshments and an opportunity to network with peers and colleagues. I look forward to welcoming you there.

Yours sincerely



**Dr Peter Bonfield**  
BRE Group Chief Executive

# Speakers

## **Dr Peter Bonfield** **The Conference Chairman**

Dr Peter Bonfield joined BRE in 1992 and was appointed as Chief Executive of the BRE Group in 2011. His focus as BRE's Chief Executive is to drive innovation and improve sustainability across all sectors.

The award winning BRE Innovation Park, designed to give a glimpse of how the future delivery of sustainable buildings and communities can be achieved, was Peter's brainchild. The Park model is now being adopted in China, Brazil, the US and Canada providing significant opportunities for BRE and British construction overseas.

Under part-time secondment to the Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA) from 2006 to 2011, Peter helped create the sustainable development strategy for London 2012. He has also led for ODA on construction products, ensuring that the significant quantities of materials required to construct the games were sustainably procured and delivered.

## **Sally Hancox, MBE** **Director, Gentoo Green**

Sally has been the driving force behind Gentoo's sustainability agenda since 2007. Recently awarded an MBE for her services to Reducing Carbon Emissions and Fuel Poverty in Social Housing, she is well respected in the industry and sits on a number of industry leading forums including The Green Deal Finance Company steering group.

## **Barry Lynham** **Head of Public Affairs Europe & CIS, Knauf Insulation**

Barry Lynham is Head of Public Affairs at Knauf Insulation where he also has overall responsibility for building science and sustainability. Before joining Knauf Insulation in 2007, Barry headed up the Climate and Energy practice area at the Brussels based think tank and consultancy, The Centre, having previously worked for the US based public affairs firm, Fleishman-Hilliard. Before working in the private sector, Barry worked for the European Commission's Director General for Environment, where he was responsible for drafting the original legislation on CO<sub>2</sub> labelling for cars.

## **Dr David Pencheon, OBE** **Director of NHS Sustainable Development Unit**

David is the Director of the NHS Sustainable Development Unit. The unit helps shape NHS policy nationally and locally, spreads the best evaluated practice on sustainable development and promotes an appropriate NHS response to climate change.

His areas of research and publication include: sustainable development, large scale transformational change, health and climate change, underpinning action and policy with good information.

He was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours List 2012 for services to public health and the NHS.

## **Ann Robinson** **Director of Consumer Policy, uSwitch**

Ann is passionate about empowering consumers and making sure that they are equipped to get the best out of a competitive energy market. She sees her role as a continuation of the work she did when she was Chair of Energywatch and is particularly interested and vocal on social issues such as fuel poverty.

# Programme

- 2.30pm**      **Registration and refreshments**
- 3pm**          **Welcome and Introduction by the Chair**  
Dr Peter Bonfield, BRE Group Chief Executive
- 3.10pm**      **Retrofitting the Future**
- Sally Hancox, MBE**  
Director of Gentoo Green
- Barry Lynham**  
Head of Public Affairs Europe & CIS, Knauf Insulation
- Dr David Pencheon, OBE**  
Director of NHS Sustainable Development Unit
- Ann Robinson**  
Director of Consumer Policy, uSwitch
- 4.45pm**      **Question Time**
- 5.20pm**      **Drinks and light buffet**



## RSVP

In keeping with BRE's desire to reduce the environmental impacts of our activities, registration for our conference is being carried out via the BRE Group website – **register to attend at [www.bre.co.uk/conference](http://www.bre.co.uk/conference)**

If you have any queries please call the BRE Events team on +44 (0)1923 664800 or email [events@bre.co.uk](mailto:events@bre.co.uk)

# About us

## **BRE Trust**

The BRE Group of Companies is wholly owned by the BRE Trust, a charitable organisation representing interests across the built environment sector. The Trust's objectives are to advance knowledge through research and education in all matters concerning the built environment.

## **BRE**

Expert, impartial research, knowledge and advice for the built environment sector and beyond. BRE is an independent, research-based consultancy, testing and training organisation, offering expertise in every aspect of the built environment and associated industries. We help clients create better, safer and more sustainable products, buildings, communities and businesses – and we support the innovation needed to achieve this.

## **BRE Global**

Ensuring that products and services protect people, property and the planet. BRE Global works to ensure that fire, security, environmental and other products and services provide the quality of performance and protection that they should. We are an independent, third-party approvals organisation, offering certification of products, services and systems to an international market. BRE Global is responsible for the internationally renowned BREEAM and LPCB certification schemes.



# How to get there

## The British Museum

Great Russell Street  
London  
WC1B 3DG

## By Underground:

Nearest underground stations:  
Tottenham Court Road (500m)  
Holborn (500m)  
Russell Square (800m)  
Goodge Street (800m)

## By Bus:

Buses that stop near the Museum:  
1, 7, 8, 19, 25, 38, 55, 98, 242  
Stop on New Oxford Street  
10, 14, 24, 29, 73, 134, 390  
Stop northbound on Tottenham Court Road,  
southbound on Gower Street  
59, 68, X68, 91, 168, 188  
Stop on Southampton Row

## By Bicycle:

Bike racks  
There are bike racks inside the Museum gates  
on Great Russell Street.

Barclays Cycle Hire  
The nearest docking station is just outside the  
Museum gates, on the corner of Great Russell  
Street and Montague Place.

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