

SOURCE TO SEA: WORKING ACROSS LANDSCAPES SCOTLAND CONFERENCE PROGRAMME – 2ND OCTOBER 2025, STIRLING

08:45	Registration & Tea/Coffee
09:20	Welcome and Introduction
SESSION 1. Connecting Landscapes: Working Strategically for Source-to-Sea Success Chair: Dr Caroline McParland CEnv MCIEEM, Vice President (Scotland)	
09:30	Keynote talk - Synergies and Efficiencies from Source-to-Sea Dr Chris Leakey, NatureScot and Dr Celeste Kellock, Environmental Standards Scotland
10:00	A New Framework for River Restoration Planning at Catchment Scale in the UK Joshua Robins, the River Restoration Centre
10:25	River Calder & Allt Mor Restoration Projects Ewan Harris MRICS, Savills and Ffion Robb, Spey Catchment Initiative
10:50	Poster speed talks
11:05	Break
SESSION 2. Collaborating for Impact: Tools, Partnerships and Innovations Across Catchments Chair: Julie Bhatti CEnv MCIEEM, CIEEM Scotland Vice-President elect	
11:35	Sharper Tools for Bigger Goals: Monitoring, Mapping and the 30x30 Challenge Dr Lydia McGill and Dr Ruth Paterson PIEMA, NatureScot
12:00	WORKSHOPS <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Catchment Partnerships - Sharing Examples, Challenges and Opportunities for Source-to-Sea Restoration Dr Kerry Waylen, James Hutton Institute and Kelly Ann Dempsey MCIEEM, River South Esk Catchment Partnership Shared Ambition - How Public & Private Research Collaborations Can Accelerate Nature Conservation and Restoration in Scotland Peter Baker, Edinburgh Innovations/The University of Edinburgh and Professor Caroline Nichol, The University of Edinburgh Climate Change Scenarios: Building Narratives and Connecting Through Species Dr Eleanor Gourevitch and Dr Clive Mitchell, NatureScot Ecological Engineers and Delivering Integrated Catchment Planning: Peatlands, SuDS and Wastewater Ecosystems Alexandra Combes, Scottish Water
12:45	Lunch

SESSION 3. Nature Finance & Natural Capital – Delivering From Source to Sea Chair: Julia McCarthy, MCIEEM, CIEEM Scotland committee	
13:45	Poster & networking session
14:00	Developing a Natural Capital Tool for Scotland Dr Sophie Manson and Donya Davidson, NatureScot
14:20	The Evolution of the Scottish Rivers Fund: Purpose, Plans and Potential Paul Sizeland, Fisheries Management Scotland and Leah Reinfranck, Findhorn Nairn and Lossie Rivers Trust
14:40	Linking Upstream Providers and Downstream Beneficiaries of Natural Flood Management – What the Eddleston Water FIRNS project Can Tell us About Potential Private Finance Markets for Catchment-scale NFM Professor Chris Spray, MBE, FCIEEM, Tweed Forum / University of Dundee
15:00	Q&A session with above speakers
15:15	Break
SESSION 4. From Rivers to Reefs: Community-Led Restoration at Land and Sea Chair: Professor Roger Crofts FCIEEM, CIEEM Patron	
15:40	Trees, Bees and Trails: River Tweed Biodiversity Restoration from Source to Sea Emily Iles and Catriona Patience, Tweed Forum / Borders Forest Trust / Destination Tweed
16:05	Marine Conservation Society: Restoring Reefs, Engaging Communities: How Citizen Science is Supporting European Flat Oyster Restoration <i>*Recorded talk</i> Kirsty Crawford
16:25	Seawilding: Integrating Science and Evidence-Based Practice into Community-Led Coastal Restoration in Loch Craignish Dr Alex Thomson
16:50	Summary and close

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