

Scotland's Plant Health Conference - 28th May 2019

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, Edinburgh Airport, EH28 8LL

09:30 [Registration and coffee](#)

10:00 **Welcome and Introduction**

Gerry Saddler, Chief Plant Health Officer for Scotland and Head of SASA

10:05 **Ministerial Opening of the Event**

Chairperson: Fiona Burnett, PHC Sector Lead (SRUC)

10:15 **Plant Health Centre (PHC) Overview**

Ian Toth, Centre Director (James Hutton Institute)

10:30 ***Xylella* Biosecurity Briefing and Discussion**

Chris Quine, PHC Sector Lead (Forest Research)

10:30 Introduction to *Xylella* (Chris Quine)

10:35 PHC funded *Xylella* Projects (Samantha Broadmeadow, Steven White and Kirsty Park)

11:00 Discussion on *Xylella* preparedness: How can we help the different sectors prepare?

11:30 **Presentations on Projects Commissioned by the Plant Health Centre**

Fiona Hight, Jennie Brierley, Steve Woodward, Rehema White, Elliot Meador, Katy Hayden, Adam Kleczkowski, Andy Evans, Kim Davie and Vincent Keenan

12:25 [Lunch with Poster Session \(Plant Health Centre commissioned projects\)](#)

Chairperson: Pete Hollingsworth, PHC Sector Lead (RBGE)

13:40 **The Economic, Social and Environmental Value of Plant Health**

Richard Marsh, Brookdale Consulting

13:55 **Plant Health Management Standard and the Plant Healthy Initiative**

Alistair Yeomans, Horticultural Trade Association

14:10 **Briefing and Discussion: Brexit and its Implications for Plants and Trade**

John Speirs (Plant Health Policy), Raoul Curtis-Machin (National Trust for Scotland) and Alistair Yeomans (Horticultural Trade Association)

14:45 **Briefing and Discussion: Scotland's Changing Climate and Implications for Plant Pests and Pathogens**

Ruth Mitchell, Mike Rivington (James Hutton Institute) and TBC

15:20 **Closing remarks**

James Barnes, Chairman of the Horticultural Trade Association

15:30 [Depart](#)

Presentations of Projects Commissioned by the Plant Health Centre

Risk mapping of the likelihood and impact of a Xylella fastidiosa outbreak in Scotland
Samantha Broadmeadow, Forest Research

Using modelling to investigate the effectiveness of national surveillance monitoring aimed at detecting a Xylella fastidiosa outbreak in Scotland
Steven White, Centre for Ecology and Hydrology

Identify the presence of potential insect vectors of Xylella fastidiosa in Scotland
Kirsty Park, University of Stirling

Assessing the potential of the psyllid Trioza anthrisci to vector Liberibacter solanacearum (Lso) in Scotland
Fiona Highet, SASA

The use of mobile technology to enhance plant health monitoring and awareness
Jennie Brierley, James Hutton Institute

Sharing solutions between sectors: what methods are deployed in tackling pests and diseases?
Steve Woodward, University of Aberdeen

Network analysis – where do people get their plant health information?
Rehema White, University of St. Andrews

Plant Health in the Twittersphere: Can online platforms be used as a trusted source of plant health information?
Elliot Meador, Scotland's Rural College

Development of an online, user friendly plant health resource bank for the Natural Environment
Katy Hayden, Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh

Integration of Plant Health planning into the new Scottish Biodiversity Strategy
Katy Hayden, Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh

Impact of climate change on the spread of pests and diseases in Scotland
Adam Kleczkowski, University of Strathclyde

Potential impacts arising from pesticide withdrawals to Scotland's plant health
Andy Evans, Scotland's Rural College

The future threat of PCN in Scotland
Kim Davie, SASA

Identifying modelling approaches of Emerald Ash Borer invasions for Scotland's needs
Vincent Keenen, University of Strathclyde and BioSS