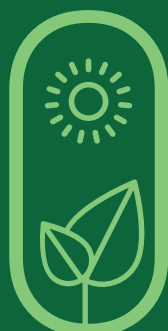


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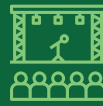
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Titanic Belfast

8am

Registration

8:30am-9am

Shifting to Sustainable Tourism & Events.

Chair: Mike Nesbitt MLA

Shona McCarthy, Director, Edinburgh Fringe

Susan Picken, Director, Belfast Culture Night

John McGrillen, CEO Tourism Northern Ireland

Maja Pak, Director Slovenia Tourist Board, Ljubljana

9am

Official Opening of 12th annual Belfast International Homecoming

Gordon Lyons MLA, Minister for the Economy (invited)

Response from Diaspora: Shaun Kelly, New York. Chair KPMG Advisory Board, Belfast & Vice-Chair, Ireland Funds

9:15am

Legislating for a Green Future

Chair: Amanda Ferguson, Freelance Journalist with Sky, Reuters, The Washington Post, BBC and RTÉ

John O'Dowd MLA, Sponsor of Small Scale Green Energy Bill in NI Assembly

Conor Fegan, Francis Taylor Building, London

Anurag Deb, KRW Law, Belfast

9:45am

**Unleashing the Potential of our Ports
– All at Sea or Plain Sailing?**

Chair: Clare Guinness, Innovation District Director, Belfast City Council

Panel: Jerry Hallisey, CEO Shannon Foynes Port Authority, Co Limerick

Joe O'Neill, CEO Belfast Harbour

Maria Bos, CEO Plug, Norway

10:10am

A New Era in Green Buildings

Chair: Debbie Caldwell, Climate Commissioner, Belfast City Council

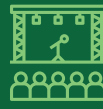
Panel: Patrick O'Gorman, Principal Bywater Properties.

Jonny Klokk, Partner, Mad Arkitekter, Oslo

Prof Aoife Houlihan Wiberg, School of Architecture, Ulster University

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10:30am

Creating the green collar jobs of the future

Chair:

Michael McKinstry, CEO Phoenix Natural Gas

Representative of NIHE

Neil Collins, Managing Director, Wrightbus



11:00am

Green Breakouts

Active Travel: The new Ulster University campus is already transforming the north inner city centre – and 15,000 students are on the way. How will this influx of students and staff affect local communities in terms of travel and parking? How can sustainable travel be encouraged?

Chair: Prof Duncan Morrow, Director of Community

Engagement, Ulster University

Winning Contracts for my Business from the New Green Economy

How can your business benefit from the green transition? What are the sectors most likely to create the most jobs and demand the most services in the shift to a decarbonised economy? We hear from housing providers, Electric Vehicle companies, clean energy providers and the new hydrogen fuel companies about the opportunities they offer your company.

11:30am

Are Customers and Investors Ready for Sustainable Start-ups?



Moderator: John Ferris, Regional Ecosystem Manager, Ulster Bank

Panel: Gareth Macklin, Founder Obbi. Paper-free integration of people, processes and safety

Aidan Donnelly, CEO SmartWorkPlus. Belfast. based. Delivering improved insights into the world of facilities management, so reducing energy use across large facilities.

Denise McQuaid, CEO GoBeyond Investing. London. Creating a Climate Action Programme for businesses and has secured funding from EU investment fund.

Gary Wickham, Founder Maggrow.com. Providing technology to reduce waste associated with conventional pesticide applications.

Helen Keys, Entrepreneur-in-Residence

Noon

Dragons Den Pitching Competition

Judges: Mark Goldstone, Founding Partner Freyeur and Trogue, New York

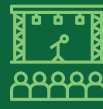
Henrietta Moon, Co-Founder and CEO Carbo Culture, Finland (invited)

Gabi Burnside, Entrepreneur Acceleration Manager at Ulster Bank

Dragons:

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12:30

Cities of the Future – Circular, Sustainable, Clean and Green

Chair: Tina McKenzie, Hon Consul General of Finland in Belfast & CEO, Staffline Ireland

Panel: Cllr Kate Nicholl, Lord Mayor of Belfast

Marie Macklin, Founder Halo, Kilmarnock

Assemblyman Mike Cusick, Chairperson New York State Legislature Energy Committee, New York

Pekka Timonen, Mayor of Lahti, Finland, European Green Capital 2021

Cllr Ruairi Kelly, Convenor, Neighbourhoods, Housing and Public Realm City Policy Committee, Glasgow City Council

1pm

Lunch

2:30pm

Homecoming Fact-Finding Visit to B9 Energy Headquarters, Larne Harbour



**Belfast
City Hall**

6pm

Gala Dinner and Installation of 2021 Belfast Ambassadors

Guest Speaker: Pekka Timonen, Mayor of Lahti, Finland, EU Green Capital 2021
City Hall, Belfast

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