Conferences Postponed to New Dates in September due to Corona Virus

Organisers of the IFSEC/FIREX Events in May (INFORMA) have announced that they will be postponing due to impacts of the Corona Virus. This will impact the delivery of the one-day conferences that were due to take place; High Rise Firefighting, Construction Fire Safety and Crisis Management in Tall Buildings. Conference Director Russ Timpson commented, “this announcement became inevitable during the week. The conference team will use the time to make the conferences even better for the new dates in September, all existing bookings will be transferred to the new dates”.

The new dates for the conferences will be:

**Tuesday 8th September** – Construction Fire Safety

**Wednesday 9th September** – High Rise Firefighting

**Thursday 10th September** – Crisis Management in Tall Buildings

The advertised programme of speakers will remain unchanged, and existing discount schemes for organisations remains valid.

Anyone with existing bookings should review their travel and hotel arrangements, and where relevant transfer or cancel as required.

If you have any questions, please contact the conference team (details below).

Online booking links:


High Rise Firefighting Conference: [https://event.bookitbee.com/24501/high-rise-firefighting-one-day-conference](https://event.bookitbee.com/24501/high-rise-firefighting-one-day-conference)


More details of IFSEC & FIREX 2020 can be found [www.ifsec.events/international](http://www.ifsec.events/international) & [www.firex.co.uk](http://www.firex.co.uk)

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Construction Fire Safety Conference Draft Programme, Tuesday 8th September 2020

Chairperson – Martin Wilshire, Safety Director Multiplex

08:45 Door open, delegate registration

09:00 Expert panel – Question Time hosted by Russ Timpson

Panellists: Jim Senior – Safety Director MACE, Damien Gannon – Construction Safety Director Canary Wharf, Tom Gilbert – Fire Safety Lead Global Lendlease, CIREG Spokesperson (TBC)

10:00 Break

10:15 Housekeeping

10:20 Icebreaker

10:30 Opening Comments

10:50 Keynote – Raymond O’Brocki, Construction Fire Safety Coalition (US)

- Role of Building and fire inspectors during Construction, US Perspective

11:30 Stewart Kidd - Managing fire safety during high rise construction

12:30 Ray Cooke, HSE Construction Division - Fire Safety in Construction

13:00 Break for visiting FIREX

13:10 Meeting of the Council for Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat Fire Performance of Facades Committee meeting – Chair Gary Strong RICS

Afternoon Chairperson – Ray Cooke, HSE Construction Division

14:30 Andrew Furness, MD, Salvus Consulting Safety Management and Training

- Pre-construction Fire Safety Planning & Design

15:00 Mark London, Partner, Devonshires

- The New Fire Safety Bill and implications for building Owners

15:30 Prof Ed Galea, Greenwich Uni, Findings into research

- Research findings from Fire Evacuations of high-rise construction sites

16:00 Michael Schroeder, Willis Tower, Chicago, US

- High-Rise Fire & Life Safety During a Major Redevelopment Project

16:30 Tom Clapton, QBE, Construction Insurance Risk Engineers Group (CIREG)

- Insurance aspects of Construction Fire Safety

17:00 Q&A with speakers
Tall Building/High Rise Conference Programme, Wednesday 9th September 2020

Chairperson – Roy Wilsher, NFCC

08:45  Door open, delegate registration
09:00  Expert panel – Question Time hosted by Russ Timpson

Panellists: High Rise Lead (UK Fire Service College), Mark Fishlock (TBC), Terry Johnson (Dubai Civil Defence) (TBC), FDNY (TBC)

10:00  Break
10:15  Housekeeping
10:20  Icebreaker
10:30  Opening Comments
10:40  Keynote – GM Barry Moore, UK, Merseyside FRS, Feedback from large-scale High-Rise Fire Exercise

11:30  Mark Hardingham, CFO Suffolk FRS and Chair of the NFCC Protection committee - Update on the high rise building safety regime

12:30  Mark Reilly, Australia - Tactics for dealing with external ascending wall fires

13:00  Break for visiting FIREX. Refreshments available in main exhibition hall

During Lunch Break - Virtual Reality High Rise Firefighting demonstration by RIVR

14:30  Brent Brooks, Canada - High Rise Firefighting Nozzle Techniques

15:00  Chris Lowther, CFO Tyne and Wear FRS and Chair of NFCC Operations Committee

- Update on high rise operations thinking

15:30  Michael Reick, Germany - Firefighting Smoke Control in High Rise Fires.

16:00  Speaker 6 – Sponsor slot

16:30  Adam Course, UK IFE - Tactics for dealing with an electric car fire in High Rise underground car park

17:00  Q&A with speakers

17:30  Close
Crisis Management in Tall Buildings Conference Draft Programme, Thursday 10th September 2020

Chairperson – Andy Baker QPM

08:45 Door open, delegate registration

09:00 Expert panel – Question Time hosted by Russ Timpson

Panellists: Chris Phillips, Shane McMahon, Andy Baker, Adrian Moore, Steve Watts (TBC), Narinder Dio (TBC)

10:00 Break

10:10 Housekeeping

10:15 Icebreaker

10:20 Security and Crisis Mindedness – Stuart Osborne QPM, Former Deputy Assistant commissioner, counter terrorist lead,

10:40 Protective Security Update - UK Government Security Advisor

11:20 Crisis Command in a Tall Building – Chris Phillips and Richard Stephenson

11:50 Crisisboardroom® Toolkit – Russ Timpson

12:20 Virtual Reality Crisis Simulation – Prof. Ed Galea

12:50 Q & A

13:00 Break for visiting FIREX

14:30 Crisis Management in Tall Buildings – Be Ready – Andy Baker

15:00 Crisis Management in a High Profile High Rise – Magda Popescu, Facebook Dublin

15:30 Risks from Drones to High Rise Buildings – Patrick Rickerby, Terra Drone

16:00 Scenario Case Study: Major water release/flood within a Tall Building – Belfor UK

16:30 Practical Pandemic Planning – Shane McMahon, Horizonscan

17:00 Q&A with speakers

17:30 Close