

Estuarine and Coastal Sciences Association 2019 **Focus** Meeting

The Forth and Tay Estuaries and the adjacent coastlines

29 April -1 May 2109 Heriot Watt University Edinburgh Scotland

Two days of fascinating talks and presentations on the marine environment
of the Scottish East Coast with an emphasis on the Forth and Tay Estuaries



The meeting will cover a wide range of topics and be of interest to regulators policy makers, scientists, naturalist, those working in nature conservation, and any stakeholders or interested parties interested in the local coastal, estuarine and marine environment.

The programme includes an optional field trip to look at the Forth Estuary and Firth, and a special event for young scientists and early career researchers.



Programme

Monday 29 April

14.00-1600. Optional field trip to the Forth Estuary and Firth. This will be led by Dr. Alastair Lyndon from Heriot Watt University. There will be a small charge to cover transport costs. This must be booked and paid in advance.

Tuesday 30 April

09.15 – 16-45. A full programme of presentations and posters.
Coffee/Teas and a buffet lunch will be provided.

17.15. A reception and informal workshop for Young Scientists and Early Career Researchers. This will have the theme of *How to further your career in Marine Science* and be led by Dr. Jonathan Dale (Coventry University). This will be free to early career participants but must be booked in advance.

19.00 for 19.30. (Optional) Conference Dinner at the Courtyard Marriott Riccarton Hotel. This must be booked and paid in advance.

Wednesday 1 May

09.00-13.00. Further sessions of presentations.
Morning tea / coffees will be provided, and a 'grab bag' (lunch) will be offered to delegates on departure enabling a quick getaway.

Conference presentations

We already have an excellent selections of talks and posters confirmed covering a wide diversity of topics. These include *inter alia*: sea grasses - salt marsh restoration- pollution history -sea birds- impacts of mining – marine plastics & etc.

Further contributions either as posters or oral presentations are welcome. Any topic, provided it is relevant to the geographical area, will be considered. If you wish to submit an idea please email brief details to: awith@noc.ac.uk.

Venues

Main meeting: Lecture theatre 2 (LT2), Hugh Nesbit Building, Riccarton Campus, Heriot Watt University. EH14 4AS.

A campus map may be downloaded at:

<https://www.hw.ac.uk/documents/edinburgh-campus-map.pdf>

and directions to Heriot Watt can be found at:

<https://www.hw.ac.uk/uk/edinburgh/maps-directions.htm>

Conference Dinner: Courtyard Marriott Hotel (on campus).

[https://www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/edihw-courtyard-edinburgh-west/;](https://www.marriott.co.uk/hotels/travel/edihw-courtyard-edinburgh-west/)

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Accommodation: There is a variety of accommodation in the area but the on-campus Marriott Hotel is offering conference delegates a single room rate of £85.00 Bed & Breakfast for single occupancy or £95.00 Bed & Breakfast for double occupancy. Please quote *ECSA Edinburgh2019 Group Rate* when booking to get the conference rate.

Courtyard by Marriott Edinburgh West

2 Research Avenue South

Edinburgh

EH14 4BA

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All venues are classed as 'accessible' but if you have any concerns please email:

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