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World Heritage UK

August 2022 newsletter



World Heritage UK's 2022 Annual Conference, on Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th October, at Jodrell Bank WHS

Celebrating 50 years of the World Heritage Convention, and looking ahead to the next 50.

World Heritage UK is delighted to be holding its annual conference in-person once again. We look forward to welcoming you to and seeing you at [Jodrell Bank WHS](#).

As November 2022 sees the [50th anniversary of the World Heritage Convention](#), we thought it would be an ideal moment in October to celebrate this milestone. And to reflect UNESCO's own thinking and this year's venue, we thought that we should also consider where World Heritage might head in the coming years and decades. Day 1 will therefore look back and day 2 will look ahead.

The draft programme is:

Day One – Monday 3rd October

- 9.30 – Pre-conference teas and coffees

- 10.15 – “50 Years of the World Heritage Convention” **Dr. Mechtild Rössler**, ex-Director UNESCO World Heritage Centre
- 11.00 – Morning break
- 11.30 – **Laura Davies**, UK Ambassador to UNESCO
- 12.15 – Q&A
- 12.45 – Lunch; 20-mins tour available to explore the historic South Side of Jodrell Bank WHS
- 14.00 – “36 Years of World Heritage in the UK” – **Susan Denyer**, ICOMOS-UK
- 14.45 – Tbc
- 15.30 – Afternoon break
- 16.00 – Q&A NGOs roundtable “*World Heritage now – challenges and opportunities*” (with DCMS, Historic England, UKNC, ICOMOS-UK, Historic Environment Scotland, WHUK and more to come)
- 16.45 – Final Q&A and reflections on the day
- 17.15 – Jodrell Bank WHS experience: visit the new First Light Pavilion visitor centre and exhibition
- 18.00 – Drinks and dinner (venue tbc)



Day Two – Tuesday 4th October

- 09.00 – Pre-conference teas and coffees
- 09.20 – Welcome from **Prof. Teresa Anderson**, Jodrell Bank WHS
- 09.30 – 10.30 “*World Heritage Futures*”, **Prof. Cornelius Holtorf**, UNESCO Chair of Heritage Futures, School of Cultural Sciences, Linnaeus University, Kalmar, Sweden
- 10.30 – 11.30 Workshop on the future of World Heritage
- 11.30 – Q&A
- 12.00 – “*What’s the future for WH from a youth POV?*” **WH Youth Ambassadors** (from Blaenavon & Hadrian’s Wall WHSs)
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 – “*The Next 10. The Future of World Heritage in Ireland*” **Michael MacDonagh**, Chief Archaeologist, National Monuments Service, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Government of Ireland
- 14.00 – “*Future Roles & Responsibilities of World Heritage*” **Prof. Peter Stone**, Newcastle University
- 14.30 – **Prof. Teresa Anderson**, topic tbc

- 16.00 – Conference end

For **accommodation**, please click [here](#) to see options according to distance from Jodrell Bank WHS. There are also options in Macclesfield which is about a 20-minute drive away.

For details of how to get to Jodrell Bank both by car and public **transport**, click [here](#). Parking will be free for delegates.

To book your **tickets**, please go to the Events page [here](#).

Please note that Jodrell Bank WHS is a working radio telescope. As such your mobile phone might interfere with their work when you're on site. Jodrell Bank ask that you switch your mobile to airplane mode during the conference. Thank you.

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