



22–23 April 2020 University of Birmingham, UK

TREES, PEOPLE AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT 4

International Urban Trees Research Conference

TREES AS INFRASTRUCTURE

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 22 April 2020

10.00	CONFERENCE OPENS	Elgar Concert Hall
	Welcome Alastair Sandels FICFor, President of Institute of Chartered Foresters	
10.10	INTRODUCTION	
	Professor Cecil Konijnendijk, Conference Chair and Project leader of UFORIA, University of British Columbia, Canada Professor Konijnendijk sets the scene and introduces #YourBigIdea, an audience-led interactive discussion session	
10.40	Nadine Galle, Green City Watch, Netherlands Nadine presents the first #YourBigIdea of the conference	
10.55	Q&A with Cecil Konijnendijk and Nadine Galle	
	THEME 1: GREEN INNOVATION IN INFRASTRUCTURE	
11.20	Chair, Professor Chris Rogers, University of Birmingham, UK	
11.25	KEYNOTE ADDRESS Professor Suzanne Simard, University of British Columbia, Canada Professor Simard introduces the Green Innovation in Infrastructure theme	
11.55	Chris Bouch, Marianna Cavada and Chris Rogers, University of Birmingham, UK A systems thinking approach to business models creation for urban green spaces: A case study of Bristol's street trees	
12.15	Lunch and Exhibitions in the Great Hall	

13.20 **Professor Jeremy Watson, University College London, UK**

13.40 **Örjan Stål, Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Sweden and Martin Gammie
MICFor, Consulting with Trees, UK**

'A moving experience' – How inspired vision, collaborative working and a truly integrated approach to infrastructure delivery enabled a rail improvement project to secure sustainable green infrastructure in central Gothenburg

14.00 **Chaired Discussion**

14.30 **Refreshment Break and Exhibitions in the Great Hall**

THEME 2: TREE VALUE AND NATURAL CAPITAL

15.00 **Chair, Emma Howard-Boyd, Environment Agency, UK**

15.05 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

Professor Ian Bateman OBE, University of Exeter, UK

Professor Bateman outlines the natural capital approach to decision making

15.35 **Emma Ferranti, University of Birmingham, UK and Anne Jaluzot, Independent
Greenspace Consultant, UK**

Valuing trees and other green infrastructure to influence decisions

15.55 **Jessica Quinton, Independent Academic Researcher, UK**

Optimisation: An emerging economic narrative and argument for urban forests?

16.15 **Professor Alan Simson, Leeds Beckett University, UK**

'Green Streets' – An innovative partnership project designed to enhance and extend the urban forest associated with public transport routes in the Leeds City Region

16.35 **Chaired Discussion**

17.05 **Closing Remarks**

Shireen Chambers MBE FICFor, Executive Director, Institute of Chartered Foresters

17.15 **Day 1 Conference Close**

17.30 **ICF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING in the Elgar Concert Hall (ICF Members Only)**

19.15 **Conference Reception and Dinner**

Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Edgbaston

Thursday 23 April 2020

09.00 CONFERENCE DAY 2

Welcome and Introduction: Professor Cecil Konijnendijk, Conference Chair

THEME 3: GOVERNANCE AND PLANNING

09.10 Chair, Jane Davidson, University of Wales Trinity St David, UK

09.15 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Yvonne Lynch, Urban Greening Strategist, Royal Commission for Riyadh City, Saudi Arabia

Yvonne will talk about shifting perspectives on urban design and planning away from the traditional approaches and how to move them towards a nature sensitive urban design model

09.45 Andrew K. Koeser, University of Florida, USA

Tree protection ordinances and their impact of urban canopy coverage

10.05 Bianca Ambrose-Oji, Forest Research, UK

Awareness, aspiration and action for resilient urban treescapes: Lessons from the governance and management of tree pests and diseases in England

10.25 Matthew Wells, City of Santa Monica, California, USA

Sustainable urban forest management: A critical challenge

10.45 Chaired Discussion

11.15 Refreshment Break and Exhibitions in the Great Hall

THEME 4: COLLABORATION IS THE KEY FOR ACHIEVING REAL CHANGE

11.45 Introduction by Conference Chair, Professor Cecil Konijnendijk

11.50 Kevin Lafferty MICFor, Scottish Forestry, UK

The NHS Greenspace Demonstration Project

12.10 Ben Seamark, City of Burnside, Australia

Addressing canopy loss: A case study

12.30 Professor Richard J. Hauer, University of Wisconsin, USA

Trees, Construction and Collaboration: A 40-year story leading to retained tree health and survival of trees in construction zones

12.50 **Chaired Discussion**

13.20 **Lunch and Exhibitions**

14.20 **#YourBigIdea**

Professor Cecil Konijnendijk, Conference Chair

An unique interactive discussion session with ideas generated and topics selected by the audience

15.40 **Summation by Conference Chair**

15.50 **Closing Remarks**

Sharon Durdant-Hollamby FICFor, Vice-President of Institute of Chartered Foresters

16.00 **CONFERENCE ENDS**