

IDSc SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE 2023
Advancement in decontamination techniques and best practices

MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER

TIME	PRESENTATION	TOPIC	SPEAKER	MODERATOR
18:30	NETWORKING EVENT with hot and cold canapes and prosecco in the PAVILION ROOM			

OFFICIAL OPENING OF CONFERENCE

TUESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

WESTMINSTER SUITE

09:00	OPENING OF THE CONFERENCE		CHAIRPERSON	
09:05	PLENARY SESSION 1 EDUCATION			

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION		Helen Campbell		
The need for decontamination personnel to be registered.		Janet Monkman, Registrar and Chief Executive, The Academy for Healthcare Science - AHCS		
Update on training and competency recommendations from HSIB report		Helen Campbell, Director of Education IDSc, Trevor Garcia, National Chairman IDSc		

10:30	COFFEE BREAK	IDSc TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE ENDOSCOPY DECONTAMINATION EXHIBITION AREA - PALACE SUITE	Helen Campbell	
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11:30	INNOVATION	This session will look at Artificial Intelligence (AI) and how it can be used to compliment the existing decontamination processes and how it could supplement staffing shortages. It will also discuss the affordability of these systems due to the NHS financial constraints and payback periods. We will also be looking at systems that can improve our processes to achieve a more effective process.	Doros Polydorou, MD of EMEA STERIS Instrument Management Services	Darren Carter
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CHALLENGE ON LAUNCHING INNOVATIVE PROCESS AND EQUIPMENT		The challenges from innovation idea operational in the workplace.	Paul Caesar - Head of Hygiene, Infection Control and Reprocessing, EMEA Pentax	
12:30	SESSION CLOSES			

LUNCH AND EXHIBITION VIEWING		EXHIBITION AREA - PALACE SUITE		
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14:00	PLENARY SESSION 2			Sharon Fox
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THE GREAT DEBATE		Leaders in the field will form a panel discussion on a range of everyday operational, legal and technical issues that decontamination departments and personnel contend with every day. The session will be led by questions from our membership and will cover a wide range of everyday issues that affect the operation of a decontamination unit.	Andrew Bent, Beng(Hons) MTOPRA, Csci, Lead assessor: Toxicology safety , Decontamination and Infection Control, Medicines and Healthcare Products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) Gillian Cairns, Associate Global Head, Microbiology Team, Regulatory Services BSI, John Pendergast - MIHEEM AE(D) Senior Decontamination Engineer NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership - Specialist Estates Services TBC. Sulist Holmes Lead for Health Facilities Scotland Decontamination and IRIC(Incident Reporting Investigation Centre)	
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There is also the opportunity now for members to send in additional questions that they would like to be asked. Closing date will be Friday 17th November 2023. Please send to adminofficer@idsc.co.uk [UK Sterile Service Department Capacity Survey](#)

15:30	COFFEE/EXHIBITION	EXHIBITION AREA - PALACE SUIT		
17:30	EXHIBITION ENDS FOR THE DAY			

19:00	PRE DRINKS CONFERENCE	Take the opportunity to network with industry and like minded colleagues during the gala dinner. (Formal attire required) in the WESTMINSTER SUIT		
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20:00	ANNUAL DINNER	KINGS SUITE (black tie event)		
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WEDNESDAY 29TH NOVEMBER

08:30	EXHIBITION OPENS			
09:00	IDSc ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	WESTMINSTER SUITE		
10:00	PLENARY SESSION 3			Dean Burand

ENDOSCOPY - THE CHANGING FACE		FLEXIBLE ENDOSCOPY PROCESSING		
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SIGNIFICANCE OF ENDOSCOPY WASHER DISINFECTOR RINSE WATER				
Mett Smart Founder and research director of 20/30labs will be presenting on the subject of the significance of endoscopy washer disinfectant rinse water, the effects of the microorganisms that can be found in it on the patient. This presentation will give an alternative to current methods of water testing and equipment management. This presentation is based on the findings of her PhD on endoscopy rinse water and is the next step from previous presentations on the subject		Mett Smart, Research and Development Director 20/30 Labs		

BENEFITS OF CENTRALISING ENDOSCOPY				
		Dr. Adil Butt Consultant Gastroenterologist & Interventional Endoscopist Clinical Service Lead for Endoscopy PhD MRCP MBBS BSc (Hons)		

12:00	SESSION CLOSES			
12:00	LUNCH/EXHIBITION			
13:15	PLENARY SESSION 4			

SUSTAINABILITY AND GREEN AGENDA		Will include the green agenda and sustainability in decontamination and medical devices. Presentations about the approach by NHS Supply chain, and how department managers have introduced changes into their departments to help meet national targets.	Heidi Barnard, Head of Sustainability NHS Supply Chain	
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Moving from single use to reusable instruments! What are the opportunities and impacts on SSD and industry?				
MedTech Design for Life Working Group is a collaborative short life working group, to explore medical device's reuse, remanufacture and materials recovery at end of life, and make recommendations for inclusion in a road map to deliver a shift to a circular economy for the MedTech sector. One of the priority work is to explore the move from single use to reusable option. A survey of SSD Infrastructure and workforce was sent to Sterile Service Departments (SSD) in the UK, to seek feedback from the SSD community on capacity and challenges related to SSD's infrastructure and workforce. IDSc was instrumental in the distribution of the survey. The potential impacts and opportunities on SSD and industry will be discussed during the presentation.		Gillian McIntosh, Technical Advisor(Decontamination) Health Facilities Scotland/NHSScotland Assure Sulist Holmes, Lead for Health Facilities Scotland Decontamination and IRIC(Incident Reporting Investigation Centre)		
		Trevor Garcia		

15:30 CONFERENCE CLOSED

The programme may be subject to change and the speakers will be confirmed in due course.