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Managing Water for Life

*An opportunity to explore the skills and ingenuity
we will need to manage water for food*

Friday 12 November 2010

SCI HQ, Belgrave Square, London, UK



Organised by SCI's Horticulture Group, Eden Project and
Chartered Institute of Water and Environmental Management



- 09.30** Registration and refreshments
- 10.00** **Welcome**
Chairman
- 10.10** **The perfect storm: Challenges for the 21st Century**
Sir John Beddington (Government Chief Scientific Adviser, Foresight advice to UK Government)
- 10.40** **Questions**
- 11.00** **Perspectives and panel conversation: Water and technology at scale: improved resource planning**
Dr Keith Weatherhead (Cranfield University) and Dr Bruce Lankford (University of East Anglia)
- 11.30** Refreshment break
- 11.50** **Perspectives, debate and discourse with audience: Food security and urban greening**
Dr Tony Kendle (Eden Project) and Professor James Hitchmough (University of Sheffield), Dr Keith Weatherhead and Dr Bruce Lankford
- 12.45** Lunch and networking
- 13.45** **Chairman's introduction**
- 13.50** **Rivers running dry: a UK context**
Mr Fred Pearce (Science Journalist and Author)
- 14.10** **Perspectives and panel conversation: Water use in food and farming in the UK**
Professor Tim Lang (City University of London) and Mr Colin Tudge (Biologist & Author)
- 14.40** **Perspectives, debate and discourse with audience**
Professor Tim Lang, Mr Colin Tudge and Mr Fred Pearce
- 15.10** Break
- 15.20** **Water security in a changing world: Global to local perspectives**
Professor David Grey (Professor of Water Policy Oxford & Exeter Universities, Formerly Senior Water Adviser, The World Bank)
- 15.50** **Questions**
- 16.10** **Closing comments and summary**
- 16.30** **Drinks reception**

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Synopsis

Humanity needs to adapt to face a social, economic and environmental revolution driven by population, resource use and climate change. Water and horticulture are fundamentally linked to the well-being of our economy, environment and culture. This conference looks to scope and illuminate the challenges, and explore the ingenuity and skills we will need in the UK to manage water for life.

Why you have to be there

This affects you and your business. These world class speakers have scanned the horizon and seen our potential future. Humanity faces a 'perfect storm', in water food and energy resources. Floods, droughts and crop failures impact grain supply and food prices. This conference is an essential distillation of foresight in one day. It will give you an opportunity to scope and debate the skills and ingenuity we will need to adapt and train for, to inspire the best in our humanity, and become an effective part of the solution.

Who is it for?

This one day conference is for companies using water in horticulture, food and drink industry producers and processors, strategic planners, foresight professionals, landscape architects, resource efficiency and supply chain managers, UK growers, plant managers, architects, academics and those with an interest in training, skills and innovation.

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