

SAPCA TECHNICAL MEETING

2 December 2021

Holywell Park, Loughborough University

There are concurrent sessions during most of the day; delegates can choose between [session A](#) and [session B](#). All session A presentations will be held in the Stephenson Room, with the B sessions taking place in the Turing Room, which is also on the ground floor, near the main entrance.

PROGRAMME: MORNING

From 8.30	Delegate Registration & Exhibition
9.30 – 9.45	1A. Welcome and Introduction <i>Speaker: Professor David James, Technical Chair, SAPCA</i>
9.45 - 10.30	2A. Keynote – Meeting the Environmental Challenge <i>Speakers: Dr Kathryn Severn, Football Foundation; Eric O'Donnell, Sports Labs; and Jo Gilroy, Kier Group.</i> <i>Chair: Chris Trickey, CEO, SAPCA</i>
10.35 – 11.20	3A. Synthetic Turf Systems – Evolution and Innovation Open forum session with manufacturers and suppliers <i>Speakers: Dr Colin Young, TenCate Grass; Gary Breen, ACT Global; and Duncan Bennett, Notts Sport.</i> <i>Chair: Professor David James, Technical Chair, SAPCA</i>
	3B. Indoor Sports Floors – Standards, Specifications and Guidance <i>Speakers: David Rigby, Labosport and Niall McPhee, Sports Labs.</i> <i>Chair: Colin Corline, Project Manager, SAPCA</i>
11.20 – 11.50	Interval & Exhibition
11.50 – 12.45	4A. The Importance of Diversity in Sports Facility Design <i>Speakers: Tracy Power, Social Impact Director at the RL World Cup; Ed Hunt, UK Athletics; Graham Finnie, sportscotland; and Owain Davis, Level Playing Fields.</i> <i>Chair: Dr Kathryn Severn, Chair Environmental Sustainability WG, SAPCA;</i>
	4B. Hybrid and Natural Turf Pitches – Standards for Elite and Community Use <i>Speakers: Dr Tim Lodge, Agrostis Turf Consultancy; Charles Henderson, PSD Agronomy; and Dr Richard Earl, TGMS.</i> <i>Chair: Colin Corline, Project Manager, SAPCA</i>
12.45 – 1.45	Lunch & Exhibition

PROGRAMME: AFTERNOON

1.45 – 2.45	<p>5A. In the Spotlight: Latest University Research <i>Speakers: Max MacFarlane, Cardiff Met; David Cole, Loughborough University; Harry McGowan, Loughborough University; and Francesca D’Andrea, Sheffield Hallam.</i> <i>Chair: Professor Paul Fleming, Loughborough University</i></p>
2.45 – 3.25	<p>6A. International Governing Bodies – What’s New? <i>This session will cover important updates from football, rugby and hockey.</i> <i>Speakers: Eric O’Donnell, Sports Labs; Marc Douglas, World Rugby; and Alastair Cox, FIH.</i> <i>Chair: Professor David James, Technical Chair, SAPCA</i></p>
	<p>6B. Tennis Facility Forum <i>Speakers: Mark Fisher, LTA and Colin Corline, Project Manager, SAPCA.</i> <i>Chair: Tim Freeman, Chair Tennis Court Division, SAPCA</i></p>
3.25 – 3.55	<p>Interval & Exhibition</p>
3.55 – 4.45	<p>7A. Meeting the Quality Challenge How can the industry best work together to identify and overcome challenges in order to meet the changing needs of clients? <i>Panel: Paul Barker, SIS Pitches; David Hook, TigerTurf; Phil Keeley, Labosport; and Colin Corline, SAPCA.</i> <i>Chair: Professor David James, Technical Chair, SAPCA</i></p>
From 6.45	<p>Technical Meeting Dinner – Burleigh Court Hotel Starting with Pre-Dinner Drinks in the Lounge Bar of the Burleigh Court Hotel</p>

Please note. The final programme content and timings may be subject to change.