

THE TOURISM **SYMPOSIUM** Exclusive rate **KENT**

Connecting to the Future 2 June 2015

Colyer-Fergusson Music Building, University of Kent



The Tourism Symposium 2015 brings together industry professionals from all over the UK to connect and contribute to the big infrastructure debate. Be part of the only national event dedicated to propelling sustainable tourism growth.

Day two of the symposium is being held at the Colver-Fergusson. University of Kent staff and students have been offered an exclusive rate of £35 per person to attend (full rate £155). This covers attendance to the plenary session as well as refreshments throughout the day, including a 'Taste of Kent' lunch.

Tuesday 2nd June Colver-Fergusson, University of Kent

- 8.30 **Registration and Coffee**
- 9.15 Welcome Sandra Matthews-Marsh MBE, Tourism Society & Visit Kent
- 9.25 **Keynote – The Future for Tourism** Wayne Hemingway & Eddie Kemsley, Dreamland
- 9.45 **Digital Futures** Nick Hall, Digital Tourism Think Tank
- 10.20 Connecting to Quality Panel Chair -Sally Balcombe, VisitBritain Hugo Fenwick, Fenwick Ltd James Lohan MBE, Mr & Mrs Smith Wendy Spinks, HS1
- 10.45 What's the Future for Destinations? Do DMOs have a future? Panel Chair -Deirdre Wells OBE, UKinbound Manon Antoniazzi, Visit Wales Malcolm Bell, Visit Cornwall Tim Manson, Marketing Birmingham Louise Stewart, VisitEngland
- 11.20 Coffee, networking and exhibition

- 11.50 What's the attraction? Louise Dando, English Heritage David Testa, London Paramount
- 12.20 Connecting to the people of the future Rosemary Shrager, Chef and Cookery Teacher
- 12.35 A Taste of Kent Lunch, networking and exhibition
- 13.50 Keynote Speaker Sir Peter Bazalgette, Arts Council England
- 14.10 Cultural Destinations update Usha Mistry, Lakes Culture Victoria Pomery OBE, Turner Contemporary Sarah Dance, Culture Kent Paul Bristow, Arts Council England Lyndsey Swift, VisitEngland
- 14.50 What's the future for transport in Britain? Panel Chair -Steven Norris, Former MP & Transport Minister Paul Kehoe, Birmingham Airport David Statham, Southeastern Trains Tim Waggott, Port of Dover
- 15.40 Close Sandra Matthews-Marsh MBE

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