



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

Procurement Wales Conference

10.00-
10.05 **Welcome Address**
Dot Davies, Presenter and Broadcaster

10.05-
10.15 **Ministerial Address**
Rt Hon Mark Drakeford MS, Cabinet Secretary for
Finance and Welsh Language

10.15-
10.45 **Keynote Address**
Simon Brindle, Director of Commercial and
Procurement, Welsh Government

10.45-
11.15 **A Changing Global Political Landscape:
What Does it Mean for Procurement
Strategy?**

11.15-
11.45 **Socially Responsible Public Procurement –
It's Law, So What Does This Mean For You?**
Sue Hurrell, Head of Fair Work Procurement, Social
Partnership Employability and Fair Work,
Welsh Government

12.35-
13.05 **PANEL: Procurement Act 2023: Where Are
We Now—and What's Next? with "Ask Me
Anything – The Procurement Act in
Practice"**

13.05-
13.35 **Artificial Intelligence And Its Impact
On Public Sector Procurement**

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Innovation and Technology Zone

10.30-
10.55 **Improving Transparency
of AI Use in Procurement**

11.25-
11.50 **Artificial Intelligence in Public
Sector Procurement**
Stuart Milligan, Associate Teaching Professor,
Thompson Rivers University

11.55-
12.20 **Understanding the Public Sector
Market: Trends, Intel, and
Opportunities**

13.15-
13.40 **PANEL: Embracing the
Digital Future of Procurement**
Stuart Milligan, Associate Teaching Professor,
Thompson Rivers University,
NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership
Representative

13.45-
14.10 **How Product Data Flows and
AI Are Powering Digital
Transformation**
Tata Steel Representative

14.15-
14.40 **Unlocking Insights: A Deep Dive
into New Transparency Data**

14.45-
15.10 **Data-Driven Decisions: Leveraging
Analytics for Smarter Buying**
NHS Wales Shared Services Partnership
Representative

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Sustainable and Social Procurement Zone

10.35-
11.00 **Capturing Social Value in
Procurement – the Welsh TOMs**
Paul Griffiths, Head of Delivery,
Welsh Government

11.30-
11.55 **PANEL: Procurement for Net Zero
Wales: Turning Strategy into Supply
Chain Action**
Oliver Patrick, Manager, Programmes and
Innovation, Carbon Trust and Daniel Thomas,
Decarbonisation Advisor, Business Wales

12.00-
12.25 **Port Talbot Case Study**
Tata Steel Representative

12.30-
12.50 **FleetEV : End-To-End Fleet Transition**
Jarrad Morris, Founder & CEO, FleetEV

13.20-
13.50 **Balancing Sustainability With Social
Value And Local Economic Support**

13.55-
14.20 **Embedding Sustainability
from Tender to Delivery**

14.25-
14.50 **Delivering Net Zero Through
Procurement Collaboration**
Gordon Brown, Sustainability Advisory Panel -
Vice Chair, The Chartered Institute of Building
(CIOB)

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Collaboration and Partnering Zone

10.40-
11.05 **Driving Value: Co-Creation and
Communication in Procurement
Partnerships**
Liz Lucas, Director of Transformation, Digital and
Procurement, Caerphilly County Borough Council
and Ian Evans, Caerphilly County Borough Council

11.35-
12.00 **PANEL: Better Together:
Building Stronger Buyer–Supplier
Relationships**
Paul Griffiths, (Chair), Head of Delivery, Welsh
Government Commercial and Procurement;
Catherine Lund, Procurement Director,
University of South Wales;
Richard Dooner, Programme Manager,
Welsh Local Government Association

12.05-
12.30 **Cyd in Action: Progress,
Impact and What's Next**
Judith Budding, Head of CPD Business Support,
Engagement and Capability, Welsh Government
and Rhian Rogers, Commercial Lead, Capability
& Leadership, Commercial and Procurement,
Welsh Government

13.25-
13.50 **Building a Career in Public
Procurement**
Scott Parfitt, Senior Lecturer, Supply Chain
Management, University of South Wales

13.55-
14.20 **Procurement's Place in a
Wellbeing Economy**
Alice Horn, Sustainable Development Advisor,
Office of the Future Generations Commissioner

14.25-
14.50 **Doing Business with Defence**
Catherine Proudlove, SME Lead, Defence
Commercial, Ministry of Defence

14.55-
15.20 **Setting Socially Responsible
Procurement Objectives**
Sue Hurrell, Head of Fair Work Procurement,
Social Partnership Employability and Fair Work,
Welsh Government and Alice Horn, Sustainable
Development Advisor, Office of the Future
Generations Commissioner

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Contract and Risk Management Zone

10.45-
11.10 **Securing the Supply Chain: Cyber Risk
and Resilience in Procurement**
Paul Hall, Head of Cyber and Innovation,
The Cyber Resilience Centre for Wales (WCRC)

11.40-
12.05 **Introduction to the Wales
Procurement Review Unit**
Carla Lavender, Senior Procurement Review Unit
Manager, Welsh Government

12.10-
12.35 **Building Resilient Supply Chains
through Project Bank Accounts:
Policy Re-Launch**
Lewis Crump, Commercial Policy Support Officer,
Welsh Government

13.30-
13.55 **Contract Management for
Non-Specialists**
Catherine Lund, Procurement Director,
University of South Wales and Hannah Miles,
Supplier Relationship and Partnership Manager,
University of South Wales

14.00-
14.25 **PANEL: Reserved Contracts in
Practice: Unlocking Opportunities
for Welsh SMEs and VCSEs**

14.30-
14.55 **Exploring Procurement Skills in Wales**
Scott Parfitt, Senior Lecturer, Supply Chain
Management, University of South Wales and
Gemma Ellis, Interim Head of Procurement,
Cardiff Council

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