

BE-ST Fest 2022

Festival of the zero carbon built environment

Tuesday 25 October 9.30am - 5pm

[Sign up to the summit here](#)

Attend the BE-ST Fest Summit for a day of inspiring speakers, expo, demos, workshops and other activity aimed at advancing our journey to zero carbon in the built environment.

Opening keynote

10am - 10.30am

Hosted by Sara Edmonds, Founder and Director, Studio seARCH with an opening keynote address by Chris Stark, CEO, Committee on Climate Change.

BE inspired

10.30am - 11.15am

Leading experts will share their latest thinking on the key topics of retrofit, Passivhaus, modern methods of construction, technology and sustainable materials

- Jeff Coley, Passive House Plus
 - Ele George, Elevate
 - Quam Temidayo Adewale, Microsoft
 - Catherine Cosgrove, Chair of Scottish Ecological Design Association (SEDA)
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BE an influencer

11.15am - 11.45am

A keynote by Christina Gaiger, Trustee, Edinburgh Architectural Association and former and President of the Royal Incorporation of Architects in Scotland (RIAS).

BE connected

11.45am - 12.30pm

Growing Scottish businesses share their experiences of scaling up their innovative solutions and explore the support landscape which exists to stimulate growth. Hosted by the Scottish National Investment Bank (SNIB).

- Eddie McAvinchey, Scottish National Investment Bank
- David Wright, Sunamp
- Gabi Madero, Kenoteq
- Matt Stevenson, EcoSystems Technologies
- Jennifer Phin, AC Whyte

BE collaborative

12.30 - 12.50pm

Peter Reekie, Chief Executive, Scottish Futures Trust and Stephen Good discuss the newly launched Construction Accord and what it means for the future of the sector.

An interactive session with the chance to ask questions and have your say about the future of construction.

Lunch & networking

1pm - 2pm

BE equipped

1pm - 5pm

Attend a variety of workshops and demos, from innovators who will showcase products, technology, services, and other solutions design to accelerate the built environment's transition to zero carbon.

Expo: Meet support organisations and suppliers of low carbon solutions. Try your hand at our crazy golf!

Low Carbon Learning: A free taster session on our Passivhaus training rigs

MMC Seminar (2pm-3pm): A chance to delve deeper into some of the game changing solutions delivered by MMC. [Register to attend.](#)

HCI Skills Gateway: Get involved in improving inclusion in engineering in Edinburgh & South-East Scotland

Innovation Factory: Join a tour of our innovation factory to see our advanced equipment in action and learn how to benefit from it

Zero Ambitions Podcast: Pop into our café to talk to the Zero Ambitions Podcast team

Timber Development UK's University Design Challenge 2023 (3pm-3.30pm): The session will set out the competition. [Register to attend.](#)

Commercial retrofit for zero carbon (2pm-4pm): A BE-ST/UKGBC workshop bringing together industry and third sector experts on commercial property and retrofit to discuss a roadmap for commercial retrofit in the UK. Limited availability - [Email to attend.](#)

Collaborative Action Workshop (2.15-2.45pm) Join the conversation with ACAN focussed on support, agency and enabling everyone to explore what activism in the Built Environment can mean for you.

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