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CONFERENCE AGENDA

- 10.15**  **WEBINAR OPEN**
Technical Familiarisation with Microsoft Teams
- 10.30**  **WELCOME**
Robert Caudwell
Chair, ADA
- 10.40**  **OPENING ADDRESS**
 **Rebecca Pow MP**
Minister for the Environment, Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs
- 11.00**  **KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS**
 **Sir Dieter Helm CBE**
Professor of Economic Policy at the University of Oxford and Fellow in Economics at New College, Oxford and Independent Chair of the Natural Capital Committee
 **Lord De Ramsey**
ADA President
Presentations followed by an online Q & A opportunity to guest speakers.
- 12.00**  **OPEN DISCUSSION FORUM**
A session enabling members to raise questions and discussion on relevant flood and water management topics with ADA, our presenters, and other conference delegates.
- 12.30**  **CLOSE**

SPEAKER PROFILES

REBECCA POW MP

Rebecca Pow is the member of parliament for Taunton Deane, first elected in May 2015. Rebecca is currently serving in the Government as Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at Defra. In this role her responsibilities include: England's natural environment, floods, water and emergencies, climate change adaptation, and as the lead minister for the Environment Agency and Natural England.

Rebecca was previously a Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport between 23 May 2019 and 10 September 2019.

Rebecca is a scientist by training and a former BBC, ITV and Channel 4 reporter who specialised in the environment, farming and gardening. Before setting up her own local PR and Communications business.



LORD DE RAMSEY

Lord De Ramsey DL FRAGS D.Sc has had a longstanding interest in fenland drainage since becoming a member of the Ramsey First IDB at the age of 19. He is a commissioner for the Middle Level Commissioners, and became the first chairman of the Environment Agency from 1995-1999.

He has been President of ADA from 1991-1994 and from 2001-present. He has also been president of the Country Landowners Association (1991-1993), a Crown Estate commissioner 1994-2002, and president of the Royal Agricultural Society of England 2002-03.

Lord De Ramsey farms the family's 6,000 acre estate around the village of Abbots Ripton in Huntingdonshire.



DIETER HELM

Sir Dieter Helm is Professor of Economic Policy at the University of Oxford and Fellow in Economics at New College, Oxford. He was Independent Chair of the Natural Capital Committee, providing advice to the government on the sustainable use of natural capital, until the end of the second term of the Committee in November 2020. In the New Year 2021 Honours List, Dieter was awarded a knighthood for services to the environment, energy and utilities policy.



Dieter has provided extensive advice to UK and European governments, including The Cost of Energy Review for the UK government in October 2017 and for the European Commission in preparing the Energy Roadmap 2030. He served both as a special advisor to the European Commissioner for Energy and as Chairman of the Ad Hoc Advisory Group on the Roadmap. He also assisted the Polish government in its presidency of the European Union Council.

Dieter is Chairman of Natural Capital Research, developing natural capital models and assessments for the better use of land, and Honorary Vice President of the Berkshire, Buckinghamshire and Oxfordshire Wildlife Trust.

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ACRONYMS

ABI	Association of British Insurers
ADEPT	Association of Directors of Environment, Economy, Planning and Transport
AIMS	Asset Information Management System is an inventory of assets relevant for flood risk management from main rivers, and the coast. Developed by the EA.
AINA	Association of Inland Navigation Authorities
ASA	Association of SuDS Authorities. Formerly LASOO (Local Authority SuDS Officer Organisation).
ASC	Adaptation Sub-Committee of the CCC. It provides independent scrutiny and advice on the Government's approach to climate change adaptation.
AWB	Artificial Water Body (As determined under the Water Framework Directive.)
BAP	Biodiversity Action Plan is an internationally recognised program addressing threatened species and habitats. Designed to protect and restore biological systems (BAPs can be specific to an organisation e.g. IDB BAPs, or regions/countries e.g. UKBAP).
CAP	Common Agricultural Policy of the European Union
CCC	Committee on Climate Change is an independent body established under the Climate Change Act to advise the UK Government on reducing greenhouse gas emissions.
CDM 2015	Construction (Design and Management) Regulations 2015
CFMP	Catchment Flood Management Plan The plans are led by the EA and aim to encourage an integrated, sustainable and strategic approach to the management of flood risk in river catchments.
CIWEM	Chartered Institution of Water & Environmental Management
CLA	Country Land & Business Association

COP26	The 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference, is the 26th United Nations Climate Change conference. It is scheduled to be held in Glasgow, Scotland from 1 to 12 November 2021.
CRT	Canal and River Trust
DCN	District Councils' Network
DfI Rivers	The flood defence and drainage authority for Northern Ireland.
Defra	Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Government department, formerly MAFF).
EA	Environment Agency is a Defra sponsored public body with responsibilities relating to the protection and enhancement of the environment in England. It has a strategic overview role for all FCERM in England and has powers to manage flood risk from designated main rivers and the sea.
EFRA	Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee is appointed by the House of Commons to examine the expenditure, administration and policy of Defra and its associated public bodies.
ELM	Environmental Land Management, typically referred to in relation to the ELM scheme that will replace existing agri-environment funding from government when it is rollout from 2024-2027.
EPR	Environmental Permitting Regulations set out environmental permitting and compliance regime, in England and Wales, that applies to various industries and activities, including flood risk activities. Formerly known as a flood defence consent.
EUWMA	European Union of Water Management Associations (Of which ADA is a member).
FCERM	Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management (Sometimes used to refer to the Defra department responsible for these functions).
FDGiA	Flood Defence Grant in Aid The funding from central government for managing flood risk in England. Since 2011 this is often referred to simply as 'Partnership Funding' following the implementation of a revised approach to the assessment criteria for capital funding allocation.

FRA	Flood Risk Assessment
FRMP	Flood Risk Management Plan may refer specifically to regional plans under the European Floods Directive highlighting the risk of flooding from rivers, the sea, surface water, groundwater & reservoirs.
FWMA 2010	Floods and Water Management Act 2010
GDPR	General Data Protection Regulation is a European Union regulation that forms part of the data protection regime in the United Kingdom, together with the Data Protection Act 2018.
GEP	Good Ecological Potential (As defined by the WFD)
GES	Good Ecological Status (As defined by the WFD)
GIS	Geographic information system is a system designed to capture, store, manipulate, analyse, manage, and present all types of spatial or geographical data
HMWB	Heavily Modified Water Body (As determined under the WFD)
HS&W	Health, safety and welfare
ICE	Institution of Civil Engineers
ICO	Information Commissioner's Office
IDB	Internal Drainage Board
IDD	Internal Drainage District
JPAG	Joint Practice Advisory Group is a standing group providing guidance on Governance and Accountability for local councils and IDBs. ADA is represented on JPAG.
LDA 1991	Land Drainage Act 1991
LEAF	Linking Environment And Farming, registered charity
LEP	Local Enterprise Partnership are voluntary partnerships between local authorities and businesses set up in England to help determine local economic priorities and lead economic growth and job creation within the local area.

LGA	Local Government Association
LGO	Local Government & Social Care Ombudsman, which can investigate certain actions of IDBs, local authorities, RFCCs and the EA.
LLFA	Lead Local Flood Authority County councils and unitary authorities with flood risk management functions specified under the FWMA.
MHCLG	Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
NAO	National Audit Office Audits most public-sector bodies in the UK and produces value for money reports into the implementation of Government policies.
NE	Natural England is a Defra sponsored public body responsible for ensuring that England's natural environment is protected and improved.
NFU	National Farmers' Union of England and Wales
NIC	National Infrastructure Commission
NRW	Natural Resources Wales is a Welsh Government sponsored public body responsible for the management of the natural resources of Wales including flood and water management.
Ofwat	Office of Water Services Regulates water and sewerage providers in England and Wales.
P&F	Policy and Finance Committee of ADA
PSCA	Public Sector Cooperation Agreement An agreement in relation to the flood risk management functions of two risk management authorities made pursuant to Section 13 of the FWMA.
RBMP	River Basin Management Plan Strategic plans for the regional implementation of the Water Framework Directive which requires standards be met in regards to water quality and biodiversity.

RFCC	Regional Flood and Coastal Committee is a statutory committee established under the FWMA that brings together members appointed by LLFAs and independent members with relevant experience to ensure the EA has coherent plans and funding arrangements for FCERM within a given region.
RMA	Risk Management Authority as named under the Flood & Water Management Act 2010. These are: EA, NRW, LLFAs, district councils, IDBs, water companies, and highway authorities.
SAAA	Smaller Authorities' Audit Appointments Ltd is the independent company created to procure external audit services for smaller authorities, including IDBs, following the closure of the Audit Commission. ADA is represented on the SAAA.
SAC	Special Area of Conservation is a conservation designation under the European Habitats Directive.
SEPA	Scottish Environmental Protection Agency
SMP	Shoreline Management Plan is a non-statutory, policy document that describes how a given stretch of shoreline is most likely to be managed to address flood and/or erosion.
SPA	Special Protected Area is a conservation designation under the European Birds Directive.
SRA	Somerset Rivers Authority
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest is a conservation designation denoting a protected area.
SuDS	Sustainable Drainage Systems are designed to reduce the impact of surface water drainage discharges from developments by mimicking natural drainage patterns and features.
SWMP	Surface Water Management Plan outlines the preferred surface water management strategy in a given location, which helps local partners work together to understand the causes of surface water flooding, and agree the optimum way of managing the flood risk in their area.
T&E	Technical & Environmental Committee of ADA

UKIA United Kingdom Irrigation Association

WFD Water Framework Directive is an European Union directive which commits member states to achieve good qualitative and quantitative status of all water bodies by enhancing and reducing the deterioration of aquatic ecosystems and reducing aquatic and groundwater pollution.

WLMP Water Level Management Plan Plans produced for areas where water levels are managed, particularly some SSSIs.

WRE Water Resources East a membership body, originally formed by Anglin Water, to study and collaboratively plan for the long-term water resources needs of Eastern England.



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