Final programme

TreSPAD Launch Conference

4 June 2025

National Railway Museum

York, G.B.



08:30 - 09:30 Registration

09:30 - 10:30 Opening of the Conference by the Organising Committee

- Mr. Martin Frobisher, Network Rail Safety and Engineering Director
- Mr. Chris Knowles, RSSB Director of System Safety and Health
- Ms. Charlotte Kingston, Head of Public Programmes and Communications at National Railway Museum
- Dr. Ann Mills, Deputy Director System Safety & Health at RSSB; Chair of the UIC TreSP-Network and Vice Chair of the UIC Safety Platform and
- Ms. Isabelle Fonverne, Senior Advisor Safety, ILCAD and TRESPAD Project Manager, UIC
- TRESPAD Video

10:30 - 10:55

1. Dr. Laura Joyner, Research fellow at Middlesex University, U.K.: "Can surveillance help identify suicidal behaviour on the railways? Insights from a psychological autopsy study and systematic review 25'

10:55 - 11:20

2. Dr. Bethany Cliffe, Research fellow at University of Westminster, U.K.: "The Use of Smart Surveillance Technologies for Suicide Prevention on the Railways and Other High-risk Locations: Findings from a Survey and Focus Group." 25'

Session Q.A. 10'

11:30 - 12:00 Coffee break

Exhibition

12:00 - 12:25

3. Ms. Louise Mc Nally, Suicide and Trespass Prevention Lead, Network Rail, U.K.: "Creation of Suicide and Trespass Management Framework" 25"

12:25 - 12:50

 Mr. Adam Swallow, Chief Inspector, E-DIV | Specialist Capabilities -Disruption & Drones, British Transport Police (BTP): "Drones in Policing" 25'

Session Q.A. 10'

13:00- 14:00 Lunch break

Exhibition

14:00 - 14:25

5. Mr. Kurt Topel, Independent Rail Safety Researcher, Chicagoland Rail Safety Team, USA: "Whether Werther? Examining the Impact of Local Media Coverage on Rail Death Clusters in Southern California" 25'

14:25 - 14:50

6. Mr. Nils La Cour, Senior Safety Advisor, Danish State Railways (DSB), DK: "Experience from 18 month of persons on tracks detection" 25'

14:50 - 15:15

7. Dr. Danijela Baric, Professor at the University of Zagreb, Faculty of Transport and Traffic Sciences, Croatia: "Trespassing and suicides on the railway network in Croatia" 25'

Session Q.A. 15'

15:30 - 16:00 Afternoon tea/coffee

Exhibition

16:00 - 16:25

8. Ms. Katy Baker, Account Director, Storycatchers, U.K. and Ms. Donna Mitchell, Senior Media Campaigns Manager: "Tales of the unexpected: how disruptive bespoke campaign strategies reduce trespass" 25"

16:25 - 16:50

9. Ms. Catherine Gillard, Communication Project Manager and Mr. Gaetan Van Overmeiren, Team Lead operational Safety, INFRABEL, Belgium: "Railway Intrusions in Belgium - Insights & Innovations in Awareness" 25'

16:50 - 17:15

10. Mr. Stuart Heaton, Managing Director, Learn Live Ltd, U.K. ""Every child deserves the knowledge to be safe around the railway." 25'
Rail Safe Friendly, a programme run by Learn Live, aims to educate children about the dangers of trespassing on railways through engaging digital content delivered directly to the classroom. https://railsafefriendly.com/

Session Q.A. 15'

17:30 - 17:35

11. Practical Information if any

End of TreSPAD day: 17:35

Drinks Reception: 17:35-19:30