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INSTITUTION OF RAILWAY SIGNAL ENGINEERS

SESSION 2008-2009

UK PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

The Institution of Railway Signal Engineers was founded in 1912 as a professional body whose objective is the advancement of the science and practice of railway signalling, telecommunications and related matters. Membership extends to most countries where there are railways, and is open to any person engaged or interested in the planning, design, installation, maintenance or manufacture of railway signalling systems or associated equipment.

The Institution furthers its objectives principally by the presentation and discussion of technical papers at meetings held during the year throughout the world. A programme for the meetings within the UK is shown on this card, except for a few instances where arrangements had not been finalised at the time of going to press.

Technical visits are also made to places of signalling and telecommunications interest, and details of these and other events organised by the Institution are similarly given on the card where appropriate.

An International Convention takes place each year, and from time to time, conferences and other special meetings are arranged; particulars of these functions are circulated separately as the occasions arise.

Further details for these and the events held outside the UK are available on www.irse.org.

LONDON

At the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, 1 Birdcage Walk, London, SW1H 9JJ, unless otherwise stated
Meetings commence at 1815 Light refreshments available from 1800

8th OCTOBER 2008 (Wednesday)	DELIVERING A SAFE, WORKABLE AND SUSTAINABLE RAILWAY	by Francis How, Dr Ali Hessami, Dr Rob Davis
12th NOVEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	NETWORK RAIL'S FUTURE CONTROL STRATEGY	by Andrew Simmons, Steve Knight, Network Rail
10th DECEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	IS INDEPENDENCE AN OVERRATED VIRTUE	by Rod Mutttram, Bombardier
14th JANUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	THE USE AND MISUSE OF SIL	by Roger Short, Atkins
11th FEBRUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	PROGRESS WITH THE VICTORIA LINE RESIGNALLING	by Tom Godfrey, Bombardier
11th MARCH 2009 (Wednesday)	SPANISH SIGNALLING	by Antonio Dominguez Chala, ADIF
24th APRIL 2009 (Friday)	AGM, PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS AND 45TH ANNUAL DINNER AT PARK LANE HOTEL, PICCADILLY, LONDON	

MIDLAND & NORTH WESTERN SECTION

All meetings commence at 1715

14th OCTOBER 2008 (Tuesday)	ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION	by Chris Hall (RAIB)
To be held at Signet Solutions, Kelvin House, RTC Business Park, London Road, Derby, DE24 8UP		
6th NOVEMBER 2008 (Thursday)	INTEGRATED COMMUNICATIONS & SECURITY SYSTEMS – A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE	by Claire Porter (Thales)
To be held at Network Rail Offices, The Mailbox, Birmingham. B1 1RT		
3rd DECEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	WEST COAST PROJECT, OUTPUTS AND NEXT STEPS	by Stuart Baker (DfT Rail)
To be held at Unipart Rail, Gresty Road, Crewe. CW2 6EH		
8th JANUARY 2009 (Thursday)	SOME FRESH IDEAS FOR SIGNALLING IMPLEMENTATION	by Ed Rollings (Network Rail)
To be held at Signet Solutions, Kelvin House, RTC Business Park, London Road, Derby, DE24 8UP		
27th JANUARY 2009 (Tuesday)	EUROPEAN RAIL TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (ERTMS) – PROGRESS ACROSS EUROPE	by Bob Barnard (Signalling Solutions)
Joint Meeting with IMechE and IET To be held at Manchester Metropolitan University, John Dalton Building, Chester Street, Manchester. M1 5GD at 1800 for 1830 hrs.		
24th FEBRUARY 2009 (Tuesday)	THE THAMESLINK PROJECT	by Dave Weedon (Network Rail)
To be held at Network Rail Offices, Station Road, Banbury. OX16 8AB		

PLYMOUTH SECTION

Programme to be advertised at a later date

SCOTTISH SECTION

2nd OCTOBER 2008 (Thursday)	AIRDRIE TO BATHGATE RAIL LINK	by Various
To be held at IET Teachers Building, Glasgow at 17.30. – Joint Meeting with IRO; PWI and IMechE		
13th NOVEMBER 2008 (Thursday)	ERTMS AND CLIMATE CHANGE – A WAKE-UP CALL FOR SIGNALLING.	by Richard Lockett (Head of Strategy for the European Railways Agency)
To be held in Marriot Hotel, 500 Argyle Street Glasgow at 17.30 – Followed by Annual Dinner		
13th JANUARY 2009 (Tuesday)	ROBUST TRAIN PROTECTION	by Charles Weightman (Network Rail)
To be held at Glasgow Caledonian University, 70 Cowcaddens Road, Glasgow at 17.30		
13th FEBRUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	TELECOMMS LECTURE	TBA
To be held at Glasgow Caledonian University, 70 Cowcaddens Road, Glasgow at 17.30		
14th MARCH 2009 (Saturday)	BO'NESS RAILWAY TECHNICAL VISIT	by Donald McLeish (Bo'ness Railway)
To be held at Bo'ness Railway Heritage Centre 10.00		
23rd APRIL 2009 (Thursday)	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND QUIZ NIGHT	N/A
To be held at Sloans Bar, 108 Argyle Street, Glasgow at 17.00		

WESTERN SECTION

All meetings start at 1800, with refreshments normally available from 1730.

1st OCTOBER 2008 (Wednesday)	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING FOLLOWED BY WESTEX LEVEL CROSSING SOLUTIONS	by Paul Robertshaw and Phil Waddingham (WRS)
To be held at Network Rail, Swindon.		
5th NOVEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	A TALE OF TWO BRANCH LINES, HOME AND AWAY	by David Nye (Scott Wilson Railways)
To be held at WRS, Chippenham		
3rd DECEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	SOUTH WALES RESIGNALLING	by Speaker to be Confirmed (Atkins)
To be held at Arney IS, Bristol		
7th JANUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	GLASGOW CENTRAL RESIGNALLING	by Speaker to be Confirmed (WRS)
To be held at Network Rail, Swindon		
4th FEBRUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	GLASGOW SUBWAY – LATEST DEVELOPMENT IN SIGNALLING, CONTROL AND COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS	by Ed Gerrard (Retired)
(Joint with IET local section) To be held at WRS, Chippenham		
4th MARCH 2009 (Wednesday)	READING RESIGNALLING	by Graeme Christmas (Network Rail)
(Joint with PWI local section) To be held at King's Hotel, Newport		

YORK SECTION

All meetings are held in the Courtyard Room of the Bar Convent, Blossom Street, York and commence at 1730 hrs unless otherwise stated.

9th OCTOBER 2008 (Thursday)	COMMUNICATIONS & SECURITY SYSTEMS – A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE	by Claire Porter (Thales)
4th NOVEMBER 2008 (Tuesday)	SIGNALLING EQUIVALENT UNITS	by Dave Scarth & Grant Sparks (Network Rail & WRS)
3rd DECEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	INTEROPERABILITY CHALLENGES ON LONDON UNDERGROUND	by Phil Bartlett (Booz and Co.)
13th JANUARY 2009 (Tuesday)	ASSET MANAGEMENT	by Brian McKendrick (Lloyds Register)
11th FEBRUARY 2009 (Wednesday)	EFFICIENT, MODULAR RESIGNALLING OF SECONDARY ROUTES	by John Alexander and Steve Tijou (Network Rail)
12th MARCH 2009 (Thursday)	AN UPDATE ON THE CAMBRIAN PROJECT / MID WALES – BENEFITTING FROM STATE OF THE ART EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGY	by Andy Harrison and Clive Barker (Ansaldo)
20th MARCH 2009 (Friday)	DINNER & DANCE at the Royal York Hotel, York	
7th APRIL 2009 (Tuesday)	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING	

YOUNGER MEMBERS

24th SEPTEMBER 2008 (Wednesday)	ASPECT INTRODUCTORY DAY	by Various
To be held at Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London.		
9th – 12th OCT 2008 (Thursday-Sunday)	YOUNGER MEMBERS INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL VISIT TO BERLIN	by Various
20th NOVEMBER 2008 (Thursday)	YOUNGER MEMBERS ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND SITE VISIT TO WEST OF SCOTLAND SIGNALLING CENTRE	by Various
To be held in The Teachers Building, Glasgow		
15th JANUARY 2008 (Thursday)	EXAM REVIEW, LECTURES AND THE YOUNGER MEMBERS AGM	by Various
To be held at 1 Birdcage Walk, London		

CONFERENCES

24th-26th SEPT 2008 (Wednesday-Friday)	ASPECT 2008, QE11 CONFERENCE CENTRE, LONDON
17th MARCH 2009 (Tuesday)	SIGNALLING PROJECTS AND FUTURE RAIL SEMINAR, LONDON

TECHNICAL VISITS

28th/29th NOV 2008 (Friday-Saturday)	WOLSZTYN, POLAND
27th/28th FEB 2009 (Friday-Saturday)	VIENNA, AUSTRIA

INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

25 -29 MAY 2009 (Monday-Friday)	MADRID, SPAIN
11th ANNUAL MEMBERS LUNCHEON	AT THE VICTORY SERVICES CLUB, LONDON

IRSE EXAMINATION

3rd OCTOBER 2009 (Saturday)	LONDON AND VARIOUS OTHER ETC ETC... CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS 30 JUNE 2009
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