

# **SEGHS2025**

## **40<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Environmental Geochemistry and Health**

**Queen's University Belfast**

**15-18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

**DELEGATE JOINING  
INSTRUCTIONS**

Dear Conference Delegates,

We look forward to welcoming you to the 40<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Environmental Geochemistry and Health in Belfast, Northern Ireland.

The conference will be taking place at Queen's University Belfast from Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

SEGHS2025 will mainly take place in the magnificent Riddel Hall.

We would like to advise you on a few practical details in preparation for your time with us.

## LOCATION

University Main Campus address: Queen's University Belfast, University Road, Belfast, BT7 1NN.

Riddel Hall address: 185 Stranmillis Road, Belfast, BT9 5EE

**Key Locations** are as follows:

Conference Welcome Reception:	Council Chamber & Canada Room, Main Campus
Conference Registration:	Riddel Hall
Conference Sessions:	Riddel Hall
Exhibition Space / Poster Sessions:	Riddel Hall
Conference Dinner:	The Great Hall, Main Campus

## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

The full Conference Programme can be found [here](#).

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm:** Welcome Drinks in the Canada Room & Council Chamber – ALL WELCOME!

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm:** SEGHS Networking Evening: McConnell's Distillery (transport from front gates of the Lanyon Building provided) – ALL WELCOME!

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm:** Conference Dinner: Great Hall (Lanyon Building, QUB Main Site). Ticket required\*

*\*On registration, you will have indicated whether you will attend the Conference Dinner. We are delighted that so many of you have chosen to come. If you did not indicate your attendance, but would like to attend, please advise before **midday on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July** by emailing [SEGHS2025@qub.ac.uk](mailto:SEGHS2025@qub.ac.uk)*

## GETTING THERE

### BY ROAD

Motorway sections leave Belfast to the north (M2), the west (M1) and the east (M3). A city ring road, the Westlink makes it easy to navigate Belfast's traffic system. A good road link connects Belfast with Dublin in the Irish Republic to the south.

### PARKING

For delegates staying at Elms Village, parking at the accommodation is available free of charge, however there are limited spaces. If you would like to park at The Elms, please advise Reception when you check in.

## BY RAIL

Rail connections are available from both the UK and Dublin. The closest station is **Botanic** which is located close to the main Queen's University Campus. Please note that this train station is a 20 minute walk to Riddel Hall.

### [Irish Rail](#)

[National Rail](#): Travel information from UK

[NI Railways](#): Belfast-Dublin Enterprise service

## BY BUS

The following companies provide long-distance services to Belfast, including cross channel routes and Belfast-Dublin:

[Ulsterbus](#) (Northern Ireland and Irish services)

[National Express](#) (UK and Irish services)

**Local buses** are operated by:

[Translink](#) through its 'Metro' service: The 8A, 8B, 8C and 8D services commence from Howard Street (outside the Post Office) stopping near Lanyon Building, Queen's University Belfast. The 8A and 8D services continue on towards Riddel Hall. The Translink App offers a user friendly Journey Planner.

## WALKING

Please click the link below for walking directions:

[Belfast City Centre to Riddel Hall](#)

[Belfast City Centre to Queen's University Belfast](#)

[Riddel Hall to Elms Village](#)

## **TAXIS**

Two of the main local taxi companies in Belfast are [ValueCabs](#) and [FonaCab](#). You can book online, by phone or by downloading and booking on the app. It is also possible to use [Uber](#) in Belfast.

If you are travelling by taxi, please consider taxi sharing with other delegates to save costs and the environment! You can use the discussion board on the conference app to link up with others who are travelling to/from the same airport or station.

## **BY AIR**

There are two airports serving Belfast – Belfast International Airport (BFS) and Belfast City Airport (BHD). Please make sure you double check which airport you are flying to/from.

### **Belfast International Airport**

13 miles northwest of Belfast.

The Airport Express Bus Service (Service 300) operates a regular service on weekdays and weekends. The bus leaves from the bus stop located opposite the terminal exit.

The [International Airport Taxi Company](#), official taxi operator for the Belfast International Airport, are based outside the right hand door of the airport Exit lobby.

### **Belfast City Airport**

3 miles from Belfast City Centre.

The Airport Express Bus Service (Service 600) operates every 30 minutes between 05.45 and 21.25, from outside the airport to the Grand Central Station.

Approved taxis operate from the Airport taxi rank outside the terminal building. Wheelchair accessible taxis are available. The approximate cost of a taxi to Belfast City Centre is £10.00 (including £2 surcharge). All fares are subject to a £2 surcharge). Queen's approved Taxi company is [Value Cabs](#).

## **BY SEA**

Fast ferry services including Stena Line and P&O Ferries make multiple daily crossings from Northern Ireland to ports in Scotland and England:

Belfast Port is located approximately one mile from the city centre and can be reached by bus, taxi or on foot.

Larne Port lies approximately 20 miles north east of Belfast, with bus and rail connections.

## DELEGATE REGISTRATION

Delegate registration is in the Riddel Hall Foyer and will be open from 08.00 – 09.15 each morning. On registering, delegates will be issued with their conference badge and lanyard.

PLEASE NOTE: The conference badge and lanyard must be worn throughout the conference

## ACCOMMODATION

For delegates who have reserved on-campus accommodation, this is located at Elms Village which is a short walk from the University campus and Riddel Hall. (**Elms Village, 78 Malone Road, Belfast, BT9 5BW**)

Each accommodation block comprises of 10-11 rooms with a shared common room and kitchen on each floor. Rooms are all single occupancy with a single bed.

In each room, there will be linen, study desk, complimentary wi-fi and basic toiletries.

Tea and coffee-making facilities are available in the shared kitchen space.

**Please note there are no hairdryers in the rooms at The Elms.**

Check in is at the Treehouse in Elms Village until 8pm. For delegates arriving after 8pm, you can still pick up your keys from the nearby Admin Building – signage will direct you there from the Treehouse.

Guests must check-out by 10:00am on the day of departure. Key drop is available at the Treehouse Reception. Please speak with the Reception Team at the Treehouse when you check out to check if you can leave your luggage for a later collection.

## OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

**Lunch And Refreshments** Lunch and refreshments will be served during the conference. Please remember to wear your lanyard and name badge. For delegates staying in Elms Village, breakfast will be available from 8am at Riddel Hall.

**Wi-Fi** Complimentary Wi-Fi is available for delegates. Visitors to the University can connect via **QUB Guest Wi-Fi**

Students and Staff should continue to use "\_QUB\_WiFi", which is the University's primary wireless service. Visitors from other institutions should use "eduroam".

Connect to Visitor WiFi: On your laptop, tablet or phone connect to **QUB Guest Wifi** network. On the welcome page that appears, click the **Get Online** button.

**Weather** We hope for dry weather throughout the conference but cannot guarantee this! Please ensure you pack for all weathers as umbrellas will not be provided.

**Photography And Video** Footage may be taken during the conference and social events

**Lanyards** To help make the conference as sustainable as possible, please ensure you keep your lanyard with name badge to wear throughout.

**Help & Assistance** Conference volunteers, Queen's Staff and Security will be available to assist if required. Please do not hesitate to ask for assistance if you need it.

**Food Outlets** There are several coffee shops and convenience stores in the area. Stranmillis Road, Malone Road and Botanic Avenue have a wide range of convenient stores, coffee shops and many food establishments both sit-in and take away.

**Lost Property** For any lost or found items, please contact Security on 02890975099.

**Cash** ATMs are available on Stranmillis Road, Malone Road and University Road.

**Luggage** There is no luggage storage facility at the conference venue.



## **BELFAST – WHAT'S ON?**

Belfast is packed with history, culture and arts as well as an array of fabulous restaurants, shops, cafes and bars. Please use the [link](#) to gather some ideas for your free time in Belfast