



The British high-speed rail network

200 St Vincent Street Conference Centre
Glasgow G2 5RQ

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Chair: Professor Iain Docherty, Adam Smith Business School, Glasgow
University

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Registration from 09h30

09h50 Chairman's introduction

SESSION 1: High-speed rail beyond HS2 Phases 1 and 2

10h00 Keith Brown, MSP Minister for Infrastructure, Investment and the Cities
Why high-speed rail matters for Scotland

10h25 Duncan Sutherland, Director HS2 Ltd
Progress and prospects

10h40 Jim Steer, Director Greengauge 21
The key policy choices for Anglo-Scottish HSR

11h00 **Panel Q & A**

11h20 *Coffee break*

SESSION 2: Objectives and Delivery

11h40 Gareth Williams, Director of Policy, Scottish Council for Development and Industry
What Scottish business needs

11h55 Henrik Anderberg, HS2 Director, Alstom
Why 3 hours matters

12h10 Tony Rose, Infrastructure Director, Scottish Futures Trust
Infrastructure funding and wider benefits

12h25 Jonathan Pugh, Strategic Planning & Franchising, Rail Delivery Group
Getting the build phase right

12h40 **Panel Discussion:** Gareth Williams, Henrik Anderberg, Tony Rose, Jonathan Pugh and Nadia Savage (Laing O'Rourke)

13h00 Lunch

SESSION 3: Key perspectives

14h00 Sir Richard Leese, Chair of Transport for the North Partnership Board and Leader Manchester City Council

The North of England perspective

14h20 Cllr Andrew Burns, Leader of Edinburgh City Council
Edinburgh's Connectivity needs

14h40 **Panel Discussion:** Sir Richard Leese, Cllr Andrew Burns and John Jarvis,
Associate Director, Greengauge 21 and former head of transport, Northern
Way

15h00 Tea break

SESSION 4: The Technical Challenges and the Commercial Opportunity

15h20 Graham Leech, Group Commercial Director, Virgin Rail Group
Growing the market between Scotland and England

15h40 Philippa O'Shea, Rail Freight Group (*invited*)
The prospects and opportunities for cross border freight

16h00 Audrey Laidlaw, Lead Strategic Planner for Scotland, Network Rail
(*confirmed*)
Capacity Constraints on existing lines

16h20 **Panel discussion** Graham Leech, Philippa O'Shea, Audrey Laidlaw and
Jim Steer

16h40 Closing Remarks from the conference Chairman

16h50 End

