

# SoPHE Technical Conference 2026

‘ENGINEERING BEYOND COMPLIANCE’

26 March 2026, One Birdcage Walk SW1H 9JJ



9:00-9:30 Registration  
9:30-9:45 Opening and introduction

## **9:45-11:00 SESSION 1 | ‘Circular Economy, Water Circularity & Public Health Engineering’**

Freya Scott | ARUP  
Sarah Bousquet | ARUP

To define how circular economy and water circularity principles can be applied to Public Health Engineering while protecting hygiene, safety, performance, and resilience, establishing clear boundaries between acceptable innovation and unacceptable public health risk.

11:00-11:15 Coffee break

## **11:15-12:30 SESSION 2 | Circular' Public health Engineering and Water Safety Planning**

Anokhee Shah | ARUP

To demonstrate how formal Water Safety Planning embeds hygiene, safety, and risk control into building design, providing a rigorous, structured framework to manage water safety from concept through operation.

12:30-13:30 Lunch Break

## **13:30-14:45 SESSION 3 | ‘Engineering Under Examination’**

Paul Harmer | CIPHE  
Jassim Daareawo | SoPHE

To challenge long-held Public Health Engineering assumptions by examining real-world performance, failure modes, and emerging technologies, strengthening professional judgement where compliance alone is insufficient to manage risk and complexity.

14:45-15:00 Coffee break

## **15:00- 16:30 SESSION 4 | ‘Mind the Gap’**

Stephen Beadle | Laing O’rouke  
Laurence Seymour | Dalkia  
Paul MCSoley | ASFP

To explore how gaps between design intent, installation practice, commissioning, and operation lead to underperforming systems, and to identify practical actions designers can take to improve buildability, verification, and long-term performance.

16:30 - Onwards: Conference closing and networking drinks

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