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SEE/UK Virtual Rail Summit: Tuesday 18 May 2021

(All times in CEST; the event will be conducted in English)

0915: Opening & Keynote Speakers

The 1st SEE/UK Rail Summit will be opened by Alexander Burrows (University of Birmingham / Rail Alliance) and Dragoljub Rajic (Rail Cluster for South East Europe).

Our keynote speaker is Martin Vickers MP (UK Government Trade Envoy to the Western Balkans).

0945 Session 1: Trade relationship between the SEE region and the UK

In the first session, attendees will hear more about the current trade relationships and opportunities between South East Europe and the UK. Speakers include Richlove Mensah (UK Department for International Trade) and Richard Robinson (UK-Serbian Chamber of Commerce).

1015 – 1030: Morning Break

1030 Session 2: Rail opportunities in the SEE region countries and the UK

The second session will provide attendees with information on specific major rail project opportunities in the UK and South East Europe including High Speed 2 and Belgrade Metro.

Speakers include:

South East Europe: Hari Lokvenec (Director General, Railways Infrastructure of North Macedonia), Miroslav Prokic (Rail Official, Serbian Ministry of Transport), Marko Radovic (Rail Cluster for South East Europe)

UK: Alexander Burrows (Director, University of Birmingham / Rail Alliance) and others to be confirmed.

1245: Headline Sponsor Presentation **ELNOS Group**

1300: Lunch Break

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1330: Sponsor Elevator Pitch (x2)

1345 Session 3: Trade Missions between the SEE region and the UK

The third session will present attendees with exciting plans for opportunities to join trade delegations between South East Europe and the UK in September this year. These missions will correspond with major rail industry events taking place both in the UK (Railtex/Infrarail) and South East Europe (SEE Mobility 2021 fair).

Speakers include Ria Bairstow (UK Department for International Trade), Dragoljub Rajic (Director, Rail Cluster for South East Europe) and Jovan Markovic (Rail Alliance).

1430: Sponsor Elevator Pitch (x2)

1445: Afternoon Break

1500 Session 4: Rail Research and Innovation

In the final session, we will host a panel discussion on rail research and innovation. The panel will discuss the importance, value and opportunities of greater collaboration between universities and industry with the recent launch of the South East Europe Rail Research and Innovation Network (SEERRIN).

Speakers include representatives from each of the 4 SEERRIN Founders (University of Belgrade, University of Birmingham, University of Zagreb and the Rail Cluster for South East Europe) and representatives from the regional rail supply industry.

1600: Closing Remarks

Important notice for all attendees!

Please, for your participation send an Email to **Karminder Johal** on K.K.Johal@bham.ac.uk

In the Email, state the name and surname of all participants in front of your company or institution and their Email addresses to which you wish to receive a link for joining to UK/SEE Region Virtual Rail Summit.