

2021 Programme of events and webinars

Resilience First runs a wide range of events including webinars, conferences, networking events, project workshops, roundtables and networking receptions, aimed at sharing best practice, developing new ways of working and building corporate and stakeholder relationships.

Champions and members have priority access to our events.

MARCH 2021

2, 9, 13 and 23 March: Decarbonisation webinar series with Intel – A tech perspective, looking across sustainability issues for the following important sectors: Aviation, Built environment, Manufacturing and Rail. Webinars: 11am to 12pm (weekly)

Decarbonisation is a critical issue to address in the fight against Climate Change. Governments around the world have set ambitious Net Zero targets for industries and cities to adhere to. Achieving lower carbon missions can lead to reduced costs, increased corporate appeal as well as the creation of new innovative job opportunities. Through this series, we will look at the role technologies can play in reducing industries' carbon footprints for certain sectors (Aviation, Built Environment, Manufacturing and Rail).

The learnings and recommendations from this series will form the basis of a white paper which will be launched ahead of COP26 Glasgow, in November 2021.

In partnership with Intel

APRIL 2021

**20 April: Building emotional resilience in the rail sector.
Webinar: 4pm to 5pm**

Speakers: Mark Thurston, CEO, HS2

Nick Radford, Head of Op Security, Crime & Resilience, Network Rail;

More to be confirmed.

The risk of suicide in the construction industry and building trade is 1.6 times higher than the UK average. With Covid-19 feared to add to this growing mental health crisis, Resilience First will be delivering an

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important session with key industry experts on how this devastating issue should be tackled and what changes in process and policies could be made to reverse this calamitous trend.

In partnership with RIA

28 April: Flexible Working - the hybrid office

Webinar: 3pm to 4pm

Speakers: Kizzy Augustin, Partner, Russell-Cooke

Natalie Smith, Associate Principal, Workplace Strategy Director, Perkins&Will

Ian Jones, former General Manager, Intel Corporation

The Covid-19 pandemic has meant that offices cannot expect to have full occupancy. Employees are no longer expected to be physically present and many have grown accustomed to and value home working. Yet, the office environment has many advantages both for companies trying to sustain team building and those who appreciate working closely for comradeship and creativity.

MAY 2021

May (TBC): Resilience in the Night-time Economy. Briefing

Covering all activity between 6pm and 6am, the night-time economy covers leisure, transport, social care and emergency services. This timely event enables us to learn about the key recommendations from The Greater Manchester and their night-time economy blueprint – a report with plans and recommendations to revitalise Manchester’s night-time economy across six priorities: safety; connectivity; diversity; skills, careers and wellbeing; and regeneration and international reputation, one year on from its implementation in April 2020. At the event, delegates will also hear how these findings could be introduced to other cities.

May (TBC): Launch of A Decarbonisation Whitepaper, in partnership with Intel – The role technologies can play in reducing carbon footprints in the Aviation, Urbanisation & City Infrastructure, Manufacturing and Rail sectors.

Ahead of COP26 and following on from our webinar series in March 2021, where we discussed the topic of tackling decarbonisation across key sectors, we look forward to launching a whitepaper on the findings and the key recommendations stemming from the webinar discussions on the role technological innovations can play in reducing the carbon footprints for the aviation, urban environment and city infrastructure, manufacturing and rail sectors.

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May (TBC): HS2 and Climate Mitigation with Control Risks

Resilience First, in partnership with Control Risks, is delighted to present a session on the climate mitigation measures deliverable through HS2. It has been widely cited that HS2 will enable passengers and cargo to reduce their carbon footprints, by offering an alternative fast, convenient and more economical way of travelling around the country that steps away from carbon-intensive air travel, road freight and car journeys. However, there are some who question the complexity of the construction project and its green credentials. Through this session, we will explore the sustainable actions taken by HS2 and the rail industry in general to tackle climate change.

JUNE 2021

June (TBC): Resilience First's Global Summit - Cities Growing Forward Together Post Covid-19

The pandemic has accelerated unanticipated changes in cities across the world, which have resulted in strains and stresses in some circumstances but also improvements or efficiencies in some systems and services. These changes have also shone a light on the great inequalities across our cities as well as identified areas for investments and training.

Through this ambitious one-day summit, Resilience First aims to convene international city leaders, cross-sector business leaders and academics, to share and learn from each other as well as establish new partnerships to enable a cross-fertilisation of innovations for the betterment or future-proofing of cities and their residents.

Sponsorship opportunities available

June (TBC): Advancing Healthy Communities – Learnings from the strains and stresses of 2020

This briefing will bring together top health officials with business leaders to consider key learnings for future business practices and promotion of employee wellbeing, following the far-reaching and devastating impacts of the Covid-19 lockdown during 2020.

JULY 2021

July (TBC): Launch of a Non-Executives Guide to risk and resilience

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A dynamic guide for NEDs to build and grow resilience best practice across their organisations. This is being delivered in partnerships with Pool Re and ICAEW.

July (TBC): Resilience in Planning

Breakfast briefing with the Ministry of Housing, Communities & Local Government and the Fire Protection Association on building resilience in the planning process. According to the Resilient Design Institute, resilience in planning is “the intentional design of buildings, landscapes, communities, and regions in order to respond to natural and manmade disasters and disturbances—as well as long-term changes resulting from climate change...” At this event, we will hear about the latest challenges facing developers and the role of government in building resilience in planning and ensuring safe and robust, yet sustainable new construction methods.

SEPTEMBER 2021

September (TBC): How Placemaking drives resilient cities

A community’s connection to place is at the very heart of resilience. Placemaking can play a crucial role in building upon this, ensuring the place is safeguarded and prepared for possible disruptions. Placemaking is a multi-faceted approach to the planning, design and management of public spaces and town centres. There are many examples and learnings from abroad where placemaking and community engagement has helped to deliver resilient places and cities.

At this briefing we will look at these case studies and what the UK is doing to ensure our towns and cities are futureproof.

September (TBC): Managing Disruptions in the Utility Sector.

Following the water crisis in Cape Town in 2018, the power outage in the UK in 2019 and UK’s disruptive storm Ciara in 2020 - not to mention the global pandemic, this event presents an opportunity for an update on lessons learnt and latest resilience planning around ensuring the delivery of critical infrastructure.

Joint event with Resilience Shift

OCTOBER 2021

October (TBC): Resilience in Planning – Keeping the high street alive

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This event will present a timely opportunity to revisit London's high streets and look at ways it plans to bounce forward, a year-on from the devastating impacts of Covid-19 and enforced social distancing measures.

Online sales coupled with rising business rates have made survival on the traditional high street increasingly challenging for retailers in the UK over the past decade, leaving aside the detrimental impacts of lockdown.

This event presents the opportunity to hear from local government and their plans to reinvent high streets and town centres that are fit for purpose and future proof for the 21st century.

NOVEMBER 2021

November (TBC): Organisational Change – Transitioning businesses to become more sustainable

Resilience First is pleased to collaborate with The Resilience Shift to promote best practice in sustainability by presenting latest innovations and changes from across industry sectors on transitioning businesses.

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DECEMBER 2021

December (TBC): Lessons Learnt from the 'most devastating' cyberattack in history on FedEx, Merck and Maersk.

Resilience First will host a briefing on lessons learnt, four years on from "the most devastating cyberattack in history". The cyberattack inflicted huge damage across countries and businesses notably FedEx, Merck, and Maersk. Resilience is key to adapting and emerging quickly from such attacks. At this event, we will hear about the lessons learnt as well as what businesses could do to prepare and overcome such catastrophic attacks.

December (TBC): Briefing with Director General, National Crime Agency

A year into Brexit and our new working environment, we look forward to hearing from the NCA and its latest plans and approaches to keeping Britain's businesses safe. We particularly look forward to hearing about the new arrangements for international collaborations now that we have officially left the EU as well as the latest threats that are emerging.

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