

# Introduction to the 3<sup>rd</sup> PRIMaRE Conference

### **PRIMaRE Annual Conference**

The PRIMaRE annual conference provides a forum for exchanging latest research & development and fostering collaborations on Marine Renewable Energy. It covers a wide range of topics in marine renewable energy, including: technology, policy, environment, hydrodynamics, resource characterisation, materials, operation and management, etc.

The PRIMaRE annual conference is a two days event, held usually around May-July, where the network showcases the specialised research, conducted among the different partner institutions, among the industry and the wider academic sector.

## The 3rd PRIMaRE Conference

The 3rd PRIMaRE Conference will take place at the University of Bath on the 5th and 6th of July 2016

**Conference Venue:** Registration desk will be at 4W Foyer, on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor of the building 4W.

Tea/coffee/lunch and post displays will be at 4W Foyer as well. The conference talks will be held in the room 6W1.1, which is only 1 minute of walking from 4W Foyer.

How to find us: <a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/location-maps/">http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/location-maps/</a>

#### Getting to the city of Bath:

http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/getting-to-the-city-of-bath/index.html

Campus map: <u>http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/pdf/campus-flat-map-with-key.pdf</u>

Bus travel to the University of Bath:

http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/bus-travel/index.html

#### Walking to the University of Bath:

http://www.bath.ac.uk/travel-advice/walking/index.html



### **About Bath**

Bath is a World heritage City. It ticks pretty much all the boxes for a perfect short break. With sweeping, honey-stone Georgian crescents and terraces spread over a green and hilly bowl, it's a strong contender for England's most beautiful small city.

It has a fascinating and easily accessible history, from the Roman Baths to the life and times of onetime resident Jane Austen. Its state-of-the-art Thermal Bath Spa complex, which opened in 2006, allows visitors the pleasing continuity of wallowing in the hot, mineral-rich spring-waters in much the same way the Romans did 2,000 years ago.

### Attractions

- For a general guide to Bath go to: <u>visitbath.co.uk</u> lots of ideas and deals, and a good "What's on" section.
- The Bath Visitor Information Centre is at Abbey Chambers, Abbey Churchyard, Bath, BA1 1LY; open 9.30am-5.30pm Mon-Sat, 10am-4pm Sun.
- The <u>Roman Baths</u>, constructed around 70 AD as a grand bathing and socialising complex. It is now one of the best preserved Roman remains in the world. This great temple and bathing complex still flows with natural hot water.
- The **Bath Abbey** is one of the largest examples of Perpendicular Gothic architecture in the West Country.
- The <u>Royal Crescent</u>: it is among the greatest examples of Georgian architecture to be found in the United Kingdom.
- The <u>Pulteney Bridge</u> crosses the <u>River Avon</u> in Bath, England. Designed by Robert Adam in a Palladian style, it is exceptional in having shops built across its full span on both sides.
- <u>Pulteney Weir</u> is a triumph both visually and acoustically. Its steps, three great crescents cascading across the Avon, are rims of foam in sparkling contrast to the quiet water above them reflecting Pulteney Bridge.
- The <u>Circus</u> is an example of Georgian architecture in the city of Bath.
- Museums and galleries
- Jane Austen Centre, for a snapshot of life during Regency times and explore how living in Bath affected Jane's life and writing.
- The **Pump Room**, was built in 1795, remains at the social heart of the city.
- The assembly rooms, elegant public rooms at the heart of fashionable 18th-century Bath life.



- **Prior Park**, one of only four Palladian bridges of this design in the world can be crossed at Prior Park. The garden is set in a sweeping valley where visitors can enjoy magnificent views of Bath.
- **<u>Stonehenge</u>** is one of the most iconic prehistoric monuments in Europe. This imposing and fascinating stone circle was built in the late Neolithic period around 2,500 BC.
- Longleat, go wild in the UK's No.1 Safari Park.
- <u>Lacock</u>: the village is owned almost in its entirety by the <u>National Trust</u>, and attracts many visitors by virtue of its unspoiled appearance. The village has been used as a film and television set, notably for the 1995 BBC production of Pride and Prejudice, the 2007 BBC production of Cranford.

## **Travel and Transport**

- Bath is compact, though hilly. If you stay somewhere reasonably central, you may well decide to walk everywhere. Abbey Taxis (01225 444444) is a reliable taxi firm. Fares on regular buses (<u>firstgroup.com</u>) have recently come down, but can still be annoyingly expensive.
- For a lazy overview of the city, take a hop-on, hop-off open-top bus tour: **<u>bathbuscompany.com</u>**.
- Bath has a new self-service bike rental scheme, with pick-up/drop-off points at nine locations: see **nextbike.co.uk**.
- There are several free walking tours of Bath. The Mayor of Bath's Corps of Honorary Guides (bathguides.org.uk) offers guided two-hour walks, at least once a day, they are very positively reviewed. You can also download audio walking tours of Jane Austen's Bath and the city's highlights from visitbath.co.uk on to an iPod, iPhone or MP3 player.
- <u>Bus</u> or <u>train</u>