

### 34<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Inter-Agency Debris Coordination Committee



### 29<sup>th</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016

### STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory, Harwell Campus, Oxford



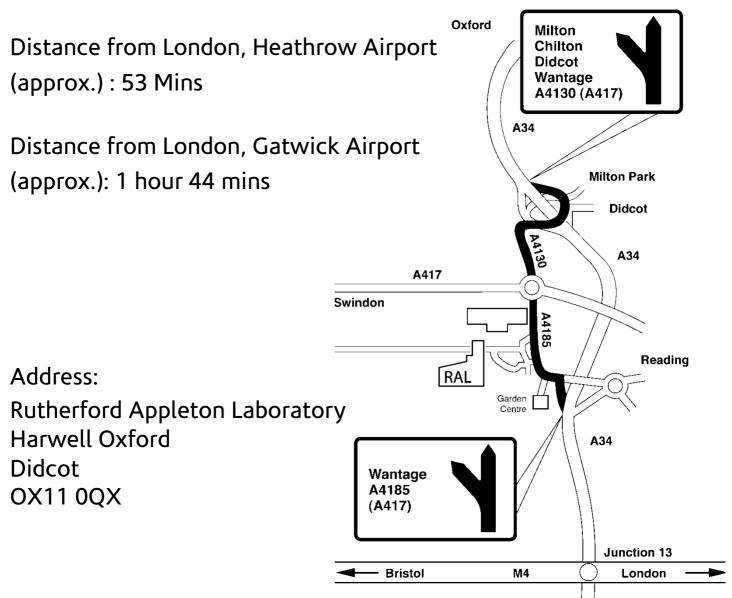
To register for the conference and for more information please go to: <u>https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/inter-agency-debris-coordination-committee-</u> <u>conference-2016-registration-18647744907</u>

### Location

• The Harwell Campus is located in the spectacular Oxfordshire countryside, just a short 30 min drive from the famous city of Oxford.

The meeting will be held in the STFC Rutherford Appleton laboratory and the Satellite Applications Catapult buildings all located on the site.

Distance from Oxford (Approx): 30 Minutes



# **Getting Here**

**From the A34 (Southbound) -** Exit the A34 at the Milton Interchange Junction, the A4130 (A417) exit signposted Milton, Chilton, Didcot and Wantage. At the roundabout take the fourth exit signposted A4130 Wantage, Steventon, Drayton, Harwell. Follow this road for one and a half miles and continue straight on at the Rowstock roundabout onto the A4185. After about two miles turn right at the roundabout onto Fermi Avenue (signposted Harwell Campus Fermi Entrance, Diamond, HPA, RAL). Go straight across two mini roundabouts and the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory can be found on the left hand side after the Diamond Light Source building.

**From the A34 (Northbound)** - Exit the A34 at Chilton Junction, branch left (signposted, Wantage), then merge onto the A4185. At the next roundabout take the 1st exit (signposted Harwell Campus Fermi Entrance, Diamond, HPA, RAL). Go straight across two mini roundabouts and the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory can be found on the left hand side after the Diamond Light Source building.

**From Heathrow Airport** - Take the M4 motorway towards Slough, Reading and the West. Continue as far as junction 13 and then head North for about 8 miles on the A34 towards Oxford and follow the A34 directions given above.

**From Gatwick Airport** - Take the M23 to London and Guildford. At junction 7/8 join the M25 to Heathrow and Watford. At junction 15, take the M4 towards Slough, Reading and the West, and continue to junction 13. Head North for about 8 miles on the A34 towards Oxford and follow the A34 directions given above.

# Getting here

The nearest rail station is Didcot Parkway, served by trains from London Paddington.

#### Train Information -

Rail timetable information (link opens in a new window) National Rail Enquiries - +44 (0)8457 48 49 50

There are also trains from both Heathrow and Gatwick airports to Paddington <u>http://www.heathrow.com/transport-and-directions/trains</u> <u>http://www.gatwickexpress.com/</u>

### Weather

Weather in the UK in March and April

An average temperature in the UK at this time of year is approx 8°C with highs up to 13°C towards the end of the month. There is an average of 16 days rain during the months of March and April. http://www.holiday-weather.com/london/averages/ march#summary-section http://www.holiday-weather.com/london/averages/ april#summary-section

### Accommodation

There are various options for accommodation, depending on price and location. We expect most delegates to stay in Oxford and transportation will be provided from/to Oxford each day. Instructions for booking accommodation will be notified to Agency Heads of Delegation on 1 November 2015. Alternative accommodation closer to Harwell includes:

#### **Cosener's House**



Owned by STFC, The Cosener's House occupies a picturesque Thames-side position in the grounds of the medieval Abbey of Abingdon, approx. 20 mins from the Harwell Campus.

http://www.stfc.ac.uk/about-us/where-we-work/the-cosener-shouse/ Approx cost: £90.00 B&B Special rate for conference delegates: £90.00 B&B

### Accommodation

#### De Vere Milton Hill House

Set 20 acres of parkland, Milton Hill House is located a very close to the Harwell Campus, a short 10 min drive away. <u>http://www.deverevenues.co.uk/en/venues/milton-hill-house/</u> Special rate for conference delegates: £100.00 B&B please use code STFC280316

#### Premier Inn Didcot

www.premierinn.com

Premier Inn Oxford South

This is close to the Harwell Campus and a relatively cheaper option there is also an onsite restaurant.

Approximate Cost: £75:00 room only with breakfast option available

Premier Inn Abingdon

There is also another Premier Inn in nearby Abingdon, a further distance from the Harwell Campus, appromiate 20 mins drive.

Approximate Cost: £75:00 room only with breakfast option available

## Accommodation

#### McDonald Randolph Hotel, Oxford

This five star world famous hotel is situated in the middle of the city of Oxford, and will be the location of the Thursday Evening Banquet.



http://www.macdonaldhotels.co.uk/our-hotels/ macdonald-randolph-hotel/

Special rate for conference delegate please use RALS300316 when booking

Single Occupancy £175.00 Double Occupancy £190.00

#### Ridgeway House, Harwell Campus



Onsite accommodation on the Harwell Campus is available at Ridgeway House <u>http://www.stfc.ac.uk/about-us/where-</u> <u>we-work/ridgeway-house/</u>Special rate for conference delegates: £ 70.00 B&B

# Places of Interest

#### Places of interest in the area

#### The City of Oxford



The city is known worldwide as the home of the University of Oxford, the oldest university in the English speaking world. Buildings in Oxford demonstrate examples of every English architectural period since the arrival of the Saxons, including the mid-18th-century <u>Radcliffe Camera</u>. Oxford is known as the "city of dreaming spires". Approx 30 mins by car from Harwell Campus. It is possible tour some of the the colleges and more information can be found here:

http://www.ox.ac.uk/visitors/visiting-oxford/visiting-the-colleges

#### The Bodleian Library

The main research library of the University of Oxford, and one of the oldest libraries in Europe <a href="http://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/">http://www.bodleian.ox.ac.uk/</a>

The Ashmolean Museum

The World's first university museum, with the building dating back to 1678 – highlights of the museums including drawings by Michelangelo, and paintings by Picasso. <u>http://www.ashmolean.org/</u>

## Places of Interest

#### <u>London</u>



The Palace of Westminster – Houses of Parliament 45 mins by train from Didcot station This capital city has a wealth of places to visit, from museums, art galleries, shopping and the theatre.

http://www.cityoflondon.gov.uk/Pages/default.aspx

Science Museum <a href="http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/">http://www.sciencemuseum.org.uk/</a>

Victoria and Albert Museum <a href="http://www.vam.ac.uk/">http://www.vam.ac.uk/</a>

West End Theatre <u>http://www.londontheatre.co.uk/londontheatre/whatson/</u> <u>musicals.htm</u>

#### Highclere Castle



Setting for the setting of the television series Downtown Abbey. Approx. 20 mins drive from Harwell campus.

http://www.highclerecastle.co.uk/

## Places of Interest

#### **Stonehenge**



Stonehenge One of wonders of the world and the best-known prehistoric monument in Europe. Approx 1 hour drive from Harwell Campus. http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stonehenge/

#### Stratford upon Avon



Shakespeare's Birthplace

The birthplace of Shakespeare and historic market town. Approx 1 hours drive from Harwell Campus. <u>http://www.visitstratforduponavon.co.uk/</u>

## 34<sup>th</sup> IADC Meeting Agenda

Start Time	29 <sup>th</sup> March	30 <sup>th</sup> March	31 <sup>st</sup> March	1 <sup>st</sup> April
Start mile	(Tuesday)	(Wednesday)	(Thursday)	(Friday)
800	IADC Registration		(	Check out of hotels
800	Rutherford Appleton	Coaches collect from	Coaches collect from	Check out of hotels
830	Lab	Oxford	Oxford	Coaches from hotels
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900	Opening Plenary	Working Group	Working Group	Working Group
930		Sessions	Sessions	Sessions
	Pickavance Lecture	563510113	503510115	503510113
1000	Theatre – RAL	Various Locations	Various Locations	Various Locations
1030				Closing Plenary
1100				
1130				Pickavance Lecture
1200				Theatre - RAL
1230				
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1300	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Adjourn
1330				-
1400	Working Group	Working Groups	Working Groups	
1430	Sessions	Sessions	Sessions	
1500	Various Locations	Various Locations	Various Locations	
1530				
1600				
1630				-
1700			Coaches to Oxford	
1730				
1800	Welcome Drinks	Coaches to leave		
1830	Reception at Satellite Applications			
1900	Catapult and tour of		Coaches to evening	
	RAL Space Test		Banquet at The	
	facility RAL Space		Randolph Hotel	
	Test facility			
1930				
2000	Coaches to leave			
2030				
2100				
2130				
2200				
2230 2300			Coaches back to	
2300			hotel	
2220				
2330				



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