

Burlington Consensus 3

An Intergovernmental Science-Policy Panel for Chemicals and Waste and to Prevent Pollution

- Scientists at the Heart of Global Policymaking

Friday 27th September 2024

**In person at the Royal Society of Chemistry (RSC), Burlington House, Piccadilly, London
and online hybrid for inclusive and international participation**

09:30-10.00	<i>Arrival with tea/coffee</i>
10.00-10.10	<p>Welcome, Introductions and Aims of the day Annette Doherty - President of the Royal Society of Chemistry 2024-2026</p>
10.10-10.15	<p>A Message from the UK Defra Minister – Emma Hardy MP</p>
10.15-10.40	<p>What is the Science-Policy Panel (SPP) and How did we get here? Camilla Alexander-White FRSC ERT CChem (Lead Policy Advisor – International Chemicals, Royal Society of Chemistry) Tom Welton OBE FRSC (President of the RSC 2020-2022; RSC Ambassador for Sustainable Chemicals Policy)</p> <p>Tessa Goverse – United Nations Environment programme (UNEP) - Principal Coordinator, UN SPP OEWG Secretariat Rachel Irving – UK Department for Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) - Deputy Director of Chemicals, Pesticides and Hazardous Waste</p>
Session 1	
10:40-12:00	<p>The Science-Policy Panel and the International Chemical Policy Landscape in 2024-2040 – what role will it play?</p> <p>Chair: Annette Doherty, President of the RSC</p> <p>Professor Jim Skea CBE FRSE – Chair of the IPCC (10 min presentation - in person) – Interfaces for the interfaces: science and policy for the three planetary crises Kay Williams MBE – UNEP Global Framework on Chemicals Lead secretariat - online Lesley Onyon – World Health Organisation – in person. Stewart Owen – Astra Zeneca – in person Mengjiao (Melissa) Wang – University of Exeter, Greenpeace Fellow – in person. Frankie Orona – Executive Director, Society of Native Nations - San Antonio, online. Aseel Abotaleb – Children & Youth UNEP Major Group – online Q&A and contributions from the floor and online</p>
12:00-12:15	<i>Short break</i>

Session 2

Interdisciplinary Skills and Expertise for the SPP

12:15-13:30

A thought leadership session on the scientific and technical skills and expertise that will be needed to support governments in defining the work programme and deliverables of the SPP.

Chair: Gill Reid, President of the RSC 2022-2024

Camilla Alexander-White – RSC Lead Policy Adviser (10 min slide presentation) followed by PechaKucha style presentations from

Yolanda Lopez-Maldonado - Indigenous Science, Mérida, Yucatan, Mexico, online

Natalie Burden – NC3Rs – NAMs training and networks – in person

Richard Thompson OBE – Univ. of Plymouth – environmental sciences, online

Matthew Davidson - Bath Institute of Sustainability and Climate Change, in person

Ally Lewis – University of York, Air Quality monitoring expertise, in person

Ovnair Sepai – Health Security Agency UK, EU PARC rep, in person

Christian Zerfaß – RSC Water Science Forum - online

Michael Walker – Queen's University Belfast – **pre-recorded video**

Paul Whaley – Lancaster University, in person

Angeliki Balayannis – University of Wageningen, in person

Chris Barber – Lhasa Ltd, Leeds, UK., in person

13.30-14.15 *Lunch*

Session 3

The Road Ahead for the UN SPP

Chair: Robert Mokaya OBE FRS, University of Sheffield,
RSC President Elect 2026-2028

14:15-14:30

UNEP Horizon Scanning Report 'Navigating New Horizons - A global foresight report on planetary health and human wellbeing'

Andrea Hinwood UNEP Chief Scientist - online

14:30-15:45

Capacity Building – what should be expected of the SPP?

Jamal Hassan (RSC) and Anthony Gachanja Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology – PACN training programmes

Rhys Charles & Matthew Davies – Univ. Swansea – projects in Africa

Lucía Santirso Richards & Olawale Adebisi - WeCyclers – in person and online

Tapas Sen – Univ Central Lancashire; British Council India & China Projects

Shirley Price – Univ. Surrey, BTS skills development training course

Q&A and Contributions from the floor and online

15:45-16:15 *Tea/coffee break*

Session 4

16:15-16:45

Co-Chairs: Camilla and Tom

I'm a scientist – What can I do?

Timeline to OEWG 3.2 in February 2025 – what we know about next steps

Feedback from the Geneva Environment Network webinar on 26 Sept

RSC Engagement Group – connecting chemical societies - Carla Siedel, GDCh

SPP channels of formal engagement, through UNEP accreditation

Science & Technology Major Group – Mohamed Abdelraouf, UNEP S&T Lead

SPP Science Alliance – Anna Becker – in person

Pan Africa Chemistry Network event 30 October 2024 – Jamal Hassan

16:45-17:15

Keynote Speech

Professor Sir Geoff Mulgan (University College London)

Professor of Collective Intelligence, Public Policy and Social Innovation

Author of 'When Science Meets Power' – discussing observations from the IPCC and IPBES and other science-policy interfaces

Joining Online from South Africa

17:15

**Closing remarks from Annette Doherty (RSC President)
& Dr Helen Pain CEO RSC**

17.30-19:00

Drinks Reception and Networking