Conference Guide

Conference Venue

Conference Location: Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge

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Murray Edwards was founded over 60 years as the third Cambridge College to provide education for outstanding women. The College began as New Hall with just 16 students at a temporary home on Silver Street in 1954. The College was able to relocate to Castle Hill due to the Darwin family donating their home. The College buildings were opened on 1963 with 300 students.

In 2008 Alumna Ros Edwards and her husband Steve Edwards, donated £30 million to the College - the largest personal donation in the University's 800 year history. The College acknowledging the foundation endowment from the Edwards family renamed to Murray Edwards College. The new name reflects the vision of its first President, Dame Rosemary Murray and the generosity of the Edwards family.





Address: Huntingdon Road, Cambridge, CB3 0DF, UK Tel: 01223 762267 Email: <u>events@murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk</u> URL: <u>https://www.murrayedwardsevents.co.uk/</u>



History of Cambridge

The city of Cambridge is a university town and the administrative centre of the county of Cambridgeshire, England. It lies in East Anglia, on the River Cam, about 50 miles (80 km) north of London. According to the United Kingdom Census 2001, its population was 108,863 (including 22,153 students), and was estimated to be 130,000 in mid-2010. There is archaeological evidence of settlement in the area in bronze age and Roman times, and under Viking rule Cambridge became an important trading centre. The first town charters were granted in the 12th century, although city status was not conferred until 1951. Cambridge is most widely known as the home of the University of Cambridge, founded in 1209 and consistently ranked one of the top five universities in the world. The university includes the renowned Cavendish Laboratory, King's College Chapel, and the Cambridge University Library. The Cambridge skyline is dominated by the last two buildings, along with the chimney of Addenbrooke's Hospital in the far south of the city and St John's College Chapel tower. Today, Cambridge is at the heart of the high-technology centre known as Silicon Fen – a play on Silicon Valley and the fens surrounding the city. Its economic strengths lie in industries such as software and bioscience, many start-up companies having been spun out of the university. Over 40% of the workforce have a higher education qualification, more than twice the national average.



Source: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cambridge

How to get to UK

By Air:

Stansted Airport (http://www.stanstedairport.com/) is located just 30 miles south of Cambridge, is 35 minutes away via the M11 motorway and is the most convenient international airport but there are also regular flights from most European destinations.

Heathrow Airport (http://www.heathrowairport.com/) and **Gatwick Airport** (http://www.gatwickairport.com/) are both approximately 2 hours away by road or rail, and there are frequent coach connections to Cambridge (Drummer Street Bus Station) from all three airports.

Visa: Before you start planning your travel to UK you should visit th UK Border Agency web page to see if you need to get a visa.

For more details: http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/

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How to get from the Stansted Airport to the Conference Location

From the Stansted airport, it is a 40 minute car drive to Murray College.

By Car:

Take the M11 from Long Border Road and Thremhall Avenue/A120 for 3,9 miles. Then, follow the M11 to Huntington Road A14 for Girton, for about 27 miles. Continue to Huntington Road for about 2 miles and you will reach your destination.

Car Hire:

You can rent a car from the airport. You will find the following car rental companies in the 3 airports' arrivals' halls such as Hertz, Avis, Budget, Europcar, Sixt and more.

For more information:

https://www.gatwickairport.com/booktrip/carhire/

http://www.heathrowairport.com/plan-and-book-your-trip/book-your-trip/car-hire

http://www.stanstedairport.com/plan-and-book-your-trip/book-your-trip/hire-a-car

By Taxi:

24x7 Stansted operate a 24-hour taxi service to and from London Stansted Airport. Taxis can be reserved at the reservation desk in the international arrival concourse and can be booked in advance via telephone, website or e-mail, while wheelchair access cars are available on request.

By Public Transportation:

By Bus:

Stansted Airport's bus and coach station is located opposite the main terminal entrance for swift entrance or exit towards your intended destination. Local buses travel to destinations in the immediate area around Stansted Airport. Bus fare and times are subject to change, so be sure to consult your travel operator before departing to confirm correct bus service details.

Buses run by National Express leave from Parkside. Direct services include the following: Stansted £10, 45 minutes, two-hourly

Gatwick £37, 3³/₄ hours, nine daily

Heathrow £25, 2³/₄ hours, hourly

By Train:

The rail station at Stansted Airport is located directly below the main terminal building, with regular services providing links with London, eastern England and the Midlands. Travellers can truly reap the benefits of the integrated rail network with an InterRail Pass, opening up further opportunities for affordable exploration of the UK and make the most of your holiday.

For more information: http://www.stanstedairport.com/to-and-from-the-airport/



Public Transportation in Cambridge

Cambridge has several bus services including routes linking five Park and Ride sites all of which operate seven days a week and are aimed at encouraging motorists to park near the city's edge. Since 7 August 2011, the Cambridgeshire Guided Busway has bus services running into the centre of Cambridge.

Most buses run to and from the bus station located on Drummer Street in the heart of the city, although there are significant interchanges at the railway station and at Addenbrooke's Hospital. The principal operator is Stagecoach.

The Busway

Cambridgeshire Guided Busway is the world's longest guided busway and passes through Cambridge. The designated route runs on normal road from Huntingdon to St Ives, then via a bus-only guided section along a former railway line south-westwards into Cambridge, where it rejoins the road at either Milton Road or Histon Road and then continues to Cambridge railway station on normal roads. From there it will again be guided to Addenbrooke's Hospital and Trumpington Park and Ride. The scheme, budgeted at £116.2 million, had been scheduled to open in early 2009 but opening in August 2011. The scheme had been heavily criticised by campaigners who believed that the route would be better served by restoring the existing railway route.

Cambridge Park & Ride

The city is served by a seven days a week park and ride service run by Cambridgeshire County Council and StagecoachFive sites on the outskirts of the city or just outside its boundaries - at Babraham Road, Madingley Road, Milton, Newmarket Road and Trumpington - provide over 4,500 parking spaces, electric car charging and other facilities. Buses run from these sites into the city centre up to every 7 minutes.

Rail

Cambridge railway station was built in 1845 with a platform designed to take two full-length trains, the third longest in the country. Cambridge has direct rail links to London with termini at London King's Cross (on the Hitchin-Cambridge Line and the East Coast Main Line) and Liverpool Street (on the West Anglia Main Line). There is a direct shuttle service to King's Cross every half hour during off peak hours. Peak hour trains to King's Cross have additional stops. Future developments for the Cambridge to London line include the provision of 125 miles per hour (201 km/h) high speed trains. The line is currently graded for 100 miles per hour (161 km/h)[citation needed]. The line is all welded rail, but because of the flat geography there are many level crossings, and they make it harder to run at higher speeds. Cambridge is linked by rail to King's Lynn and Ely (via the Fen Line), Norwich (via the Breckland Line), Leicester, Birmingham New Street, Ipswich and London Stansted Airport. The important UK rail hub of Peterborough is also less than an hour from Cambridge, which provides direct connections to Leeds, Newcastle and Edinburgh Waverley. Cambridge railway station is run by Abellio Greater Anglia.

The railway service connecting Cambridge and Oxford, known as the Varsity Line, ceased in 1968. The East West Rail Link proposal now plans to reinstate a direct rail route to Oxford. There is a small network of trams in Rome most of which do not cover the main districts of Rome frequented by visitors.

Cycling

Some colleges and workplaces have large bicycle parks.

As a university town lying on fairly flat ground and with traffic congestion, Cambridge has a large number of cyclists. Many residents also prefer cycling to driving in the narrow, busy streets, giving the city the highest level of cycle use in the UK. According to the 2001 census, 25% of residents travelled to work by bicycle. A few roads within the city are adapted for cycling, including separate traffic lights for cycle lanes and cycle contraflows on streets which are otherwise one-way; the city also benefits from parks which have shared use paths. There are, however, no separate cycle paths within the city centre. Despite the high levels of cycling, expenditure on cycling infrastructure is around the national average of 0.3% of the transport budget. There are a few cycle routes in the surrounding countryside and the city is now linked to the National Cycle Network. The main organisation campaigning to improve conditions for cyclists in Cambridge is the Cambridge Cycling Campaign. The city was chosen as a Cycling Town by the Department for Transport in 2008, with central government funding an expansion of cycling facilities in the city and its surrounding villages. There was a 5% increase in cycling from 2013 to 2014 - an increase of 88% since 2004.

Bike theft in the city is a problem, with over 3000 bicycles reported stolen between April 2005 and March 2006. The actual number is believed to be higher as many thefts are not reported to the police.

PLACES TO VISIT

Fitzwilliam Museum

Located in the heart of Cambridge, the Museum is one of the most iconic buildings in the Cambridge cityscape, its monumental neo-classic facade and columns just a short walk away from the central colleges and the River Cam. The Museum was founded in 1816 by the 7th Viscount Fitzwilliam of Merrion who bequeathed his vast collections of art, music and books to the University of Cambridge.

Address: Trumpington Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB2 1RB Opening Hours: Tuesday-Sunday, 10:00am-17:00pm Closed on Mondays, Good Friday, Tuesday 5 June, 24 to 26 & 31 December, 1 January Tel: +44 (0) 122 333 2900 Admission Fee: Free

IWM Duxford

Located in the beautifully preserved Battle of Britain airfield, award-winning Imperial War Museum Duxford is home to a unique collection of over 200 aircraft, including iconic Concorde and Spitfire. Set within the best preserved Battle of Britain airfield, Duxford is a vibrant museum that marries its past with modern displays, interactive exhibitions, family events and attractions.

Address: Duxford Airfield Duxford, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB22 4QR Opening hours: Open daily, 10:00 am to 16:00 pm Tel: +44 (0) 122 383 5000 Admission Fee: Adult £17.50, Child (under 16) Free





Museum of Archaeology & Anthropology

The museum is primarily a university institution devoted to teaching and research but its public display galleries contain much to interest non-specialist visitors. The archaeology gallery surveys world prehistory from the origins of mankind to the rise of literate civilization and also contains an important collection of local antiquities. The anthropology gallery surveys culture and art from all continents, special exhibitions are also held.

Address: Downing Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB2 3DZ Opening hours: Tuesday - Saturday 10:30am - 16:30pm Admissions: Free Tel.: +44 (0) 1223 333516

Whipple Museum of the History of Science

The Whipple Museum's collection includes scientific instruments, apparatus, models, pictures, prints, photographs, books and other material related to the history of science. The museums holdings are particularly strong in material dating from the 17th to the 19th centuries, especially objects produced by English instrument makers, although the collection contains objects dating from the medieval period to the present day, Instruments of astronomy, navigation, surveying, drawing and calculating are well represented, as are sundials, mathematical instruments and early electrical apparatus.

Address: Free School Lane, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB2 3RH Opening hours: Monday – Friday 12:30pm – 16:30pm Admission Fee: Free





Museum of Classical Archaeology

The Museum of Classical Archaeology is one of the few surviving collections of plaster casts of Greek & Roman sculpture in the world. The collection of about four hundred and fifty casts is open to the public and housed in a purpose-built Cast Gallery on the first floor of the Classics Faculty. Although nothing here is an original, nearly all the wellknown (and not so well-known) works from the Classical world can be seen together under one roof.

Address: University of Cambridge, Sidgwick Avenue, Cambridge CB3 9DA Opening Hours: Monday – Friday 10:00pm – 17:00pm Phone: +44 01223 335153 Admissions: Free

The Sedgwick Museum of Earth Sciences

These range from the earliest forms of life from more than 3000 million years ago, to the wildlife that roamed the Fens less than 150,000 years ago. The museum was built in memory of Adam Sedgwick and is the oldest of the University Museums, founded with Dr John Woodward's bequest of his fossil collection in 1728 (still on display in its original cabinets).

Address: University of Cambridge, Downing Street, Cambridge, Cambridgeshire, CB2 3EQ Opening Hours: Monday – Friday 10:00pm – 13:00pm and 14:00pm – 17:00 Phone: +44 01223 333456 Admissions: Free





TOURS

Afternoon Official 2 Hr Tour inc. King's College

These tours cover the most important aspects of the city, University and colleges. Your guide will relate some of the fascinating stories regarding the famous people connected with Cambridge whilst looking at some of the best known and impressive sights Cambridge has to offer. Entrance to the magnificent King's College and Chapel and 14th Century Pembroke College are also included when available.

Address: Peas Hill, Cambridge, CB2 3AD Departure point: Tourist Information Centre Tour hours: Monday - Sunday at 13:00pm, Saturday at 14:00pm Admissions: Adults £16.00, Concessions £14.00 (Students or over 65s) Phone: +44 0871 226 8006

Bus & Coach Tours

Enjoy the sights & sounds of Cambridge from the top deck of the hop on hop off bus tour. The audio commentary (available is 8 different languages) provides an informative and lighthearted history of Cambridge and its impressive University buildings. There are over 21 stops, both in & around the city where you can join the tour.

Address: Peas Hill, Cambridge, CB2 3AD Departure point: Tourist Information Centre Phone: +44 0871 226 8006 Tour Hours: Monday - Sunday at 10:00am – 16:00pm





DINNING IN CAMBRIDGE

British cuisine is the specific set of cooking traditions and practices associated with the United Kingdom. British cuisine has been described as "unfussy dishes made with quality local ingredients, matched with simple sauces to accentuate flavour, rather than disguise it." However, British cuisine has absorbed the cultural influence of those that have settled in Britain, producing hybrid dishes, such as the Anglo-Indian chicken tikka masala."

Lucky Star Chinese Buffet

At Lucky Star Chinese Buffet we cook traditional Chinese food to authentic recipes and have been doing so for over 7 and a half years. With a great variety of dishes and a Teppanyaki Bar in the evenings, our customers love the choice as well as the fact that they enjoy as much of our delicious food as they like for one price. Chinese food is well known for being healthy with little oil used and lots of vegetables - so you can over indulge at Lucky Star Buffet without feeling guilty!

Address: Cambridge Leisure Park, Clifton Way, Cambridge, Cambs CB1 7DY Open Hours: Lunch time: Monday – Sunday 11:30am – 15:00pm Dinner time: Monday – Sunday 17:00pm – 22:00pm Tel: +44 01223 244277 URL: <u>http://www.luckystarcambridge.co.uk/</u>

Graffiti Restaurant

Set at the heart of a privately-owned Victorian villa is Graffiti Restaurant, a fusion of classical elegance and contemporary chic, which has gained a formidable reputation for serving seasonally-inspired Modern British food, cooked with passion by Head Chef, Tom Stewart. Produce is sourced locally, whenever possible, from carefully selected producers based in Cambridge and over the border in Norfolk and Suffolk.

Address: Hotel Felix, Whitehouse Lane, Cambridge, CB3 0LX Open Hours: Mon Lunch time: Monday – Sunday 12:30am – 14:00pm Dinner time: Monday – Sunday 18:30pm – 22:00pm Tel: +44 01223 277977 URL: <u>http://www.visitcambridge.org/food-and-drink/graffiti-restaurant-p507531</u>





De Luca Cucina & Bar

De Luca Cucina and Bar is a modern Italian restaurant and cocktail bar located in the heart of Cambridge, offering an environment where you can eat great food, enjoy superb wines and drink fantastic cocktails. Widely recommended as the best Italian Restaurant in Cambridge.

Address: Via 83 Regent Street, Cambridge, CB2 1AW Phone: +44 01223 356666 Open Hours: Daily, Noon until late URL: <u>http://www.delucacucina.co.uk/</u>

Strada

The contemporary style at Strada will instantly get you in the mood to sample some modern Italian flavours. The menu is extensive, with each dish created using the finest and freshest ingredients - including single vineyard extra virgin olive oil and buffalo mozzarella imported from Italy.

Address: 17 Trinity Street, Cambridge, CB2 1TB Phone: +44 01223 352 166 Open Hours: Monday – Saturday 11:30am – 11:00pm, Sunday: 11:30am – 10:30pm URL: <u>http://www.strada.co.uk/italian-restaurant/cambridge</u>





More options to dine in Cambridge:

https://www.visitcambridge.org/food-and-drink/fitzbillies-p526701 http://www.visitcambridge.org/food-and-drink/patisserie-valerie-p506481 https://www.visitcambridge.org/food-and-drink/don-pasquale-p506701 https://www.visitcambridge.org/food-and-drink/butch-annies-hand-crafted-burgers-and-ribsp650761

> http://www.nationalrail.co.uk http://www.visitcambridge.org/ http://www.stanstedairport.com/ http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cambridge http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/British_cuisine http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/ http://yourtaximeter.com/main#/main/council/cambridge-district

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