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THE BIG CONVERSATION



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PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 6 NOVEMBER

09:30 REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS

10:00 WELCOME AND ICE BREAKER: MY IDEAL HOME
What is your ideal home and what does it represent? Geraldine welcomes you, and the unique perspective and energy that you bring to the big conversation 2019.
Geraldine Howley, chair of the Chartered Institute of Housing

10:15 OUR HORIZON: PANEL DISCUSSION: HOUSING AS A HUMAN RIGHT
The term 'human rights' get thrown around easily, but what do we mean when we talk about housing and human rights and do landlords think about the human rights of their tenants? The panel will update you on the latest legislative proposals, current practice in Scotland and where we go next.
Callum Chomczuk, national director, CIH Scotland
Dr Beth Watts, senior research fellow, I-SPHERE
Jehan Weerasinghe, managing director, Glasgow Housing Association

11:00 REFRESHMENTS

11.15 BREAKOUT SESSIONS

SESSION 1

STAND UP FOR YOUR SELF

We all want to be our best self and get the most out of our career but sometimes hesitation and doubt stop us. Using drama skills, actor Steve Halliday will work with you to improve your confidence and help you get your voice heard.

Steve Halliday, actor (credits include I, Daniel Blake)

SESSION 2

BE GOOD BE SOCIAL

Whether you don't know your Twitter from your Tinder or you are a digital diehard, this session is for you. The workshop will showcase new ideas and hands-on solutions in digital communication. It will make clear the benefits to you and your organisation from your digital brand.

Rosie McIntosh, head of content, Third Sector Lab

12:00 LUNCH

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12:30 UNCONFERENCE

A chance to discuss issues suggested by conference attendees in small groups. There is no pre-planned agenda for these discussions, come prepared to talk about whatever you like with like-minded professionals.

13:15 HOMES FOR GOOD

Homes for Good is Scotland's first social enterprise letting agency and social landlord operating solely in the private rented sector. Hear about what makes Homes for Good different and the impact on its tenants, as well as the challenges in setting up and operating a social enterprise letting agency.

Susan Aktemel, founding director and **Alice Simpson**, deputy director of Homes for Good (Scotland) CIC

14:00 BREAK

14:15 EVERYONE'S A MENTOR

Trevor will introduce us all to peer mentoring and how to get the best out of these relationships to help us all grow in our careers.

Trevor Smith, director of the GEM Programme

15:00 CALL TO ACTION

Incoming CIH President Aileen Evans will wrap up the day and introduce her presidential campaign on mental health. She will talk to Michael Byrne and Martin Boyle about their experiences of dealing with trauma and improving mental health and emotional wellbeing in the workplace.

Aileen Evans, CIH president 2019-20

Michael Byrne, founder of Lived Experience Trauma Support

Martin Boyle, volunteer, Homeless Network Scotland

15:50 YOUR HOUSING FAMILY: CIH FUTURES

Evie Copland, CIH Futures board member

16:00 EVENT CLOSE

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