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| 10:50 – 11:30                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Panel Session – The Contractual Landscape of LGR – Risks and Issues</b><br><b>Keith Coleman</b> , Assistant Director of Procurement, Orbis Procurement<br><b>Dr Richard Scarlett</b> , Head of Commercial and Procurement Services, Oxfordshire County Council<br><b>Kieran McGaughey</b> , Consultant Solicitor<br><b>Darren Knowd</b> , DRKnowd Ltd |
| 11:40 – 12:10                                                                                                                                                          | <b>From Blocker to Enabler: The Role Procurement Must Play in the Innovation and Transformation of Local Public Services</b><br><b>Philippa Newis</b> , Director, Public Digital                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 12:20 – 12:50                                                                                                                                                          | <b>To Compliance and Beyond: Beating the Mid-Career Crisis</b><br><b>Naomi Hilsden</b> , Corporate Account Manager – Public Sector, Specsavers<br><b>Kartik Bharadia</b> , Clinical Performance Consultant, Specsavers                                                                                                                                   |
| 13:40 – 14:10                                                                                                                                                          | <b>The Devolution Revolution – The Impact on Regeneration Procurement</b><br><b>Faye Dolan</b> , Framework Director, Procure Partnerships Framework                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 14:20 – 14:50                                                                                                                                                          | <b>Procuring Under Pressure: Managing LGR Transition – Practical Lessons from the Public and Private Sector</b><br><b>Darren Knowd</b> , DRKnowd Ltd<br><b>David Taylor</b> , Principal, Efficio<br><b>Adrain Leibovitch</b> , Principal, Efficio                                                                                                        |
| 15:00 – 15:30                                                                                                                                                          | <b>The Opportunities for Delivering Procurement Innovation in the Devolved Landscape</b><br><b>Rikesh Shah</b> , Head of IPEC, Connected Places Catapult<br><b>Michael Murray</b> , Commercial Manager, NEPO                                                                                                                                             |

|  <b>Sustainability &amp; Social Value Zone</b> <span>Sponsored by LONDON CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMME</span> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| 10:30 – 10:55                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Public Procurement as a Catalyst for Social Value, Net Zero and Place-Based Regeneration</b><br><b>George Stevens</b> , Director of Communities, LHC Procurement Group                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 11:00 – 11:25                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Beyond Compliance: Embedding Social Value into Each Stage of the Procurement Lifecycle</b><br><b>Tim Rudin</b> , Head of Central Responsible Procurement Team, Greater London Authority Group                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 11:30 – 12:05                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Panel Session – Unlocking Social Value through Frameworks: A Collaborative Case Study</b><br><b>Lisa Bliss</b> , Head of London Construction Programme & Dynamic Markets, Haringey Council<br><b>Julian Sanz</b> , Head of Social Value, McConnell Group<br><b>Pat Sweeney</b> , Divisional Director, McConnell Group<br><b>Rapheal Balogun</b> , Quality Practitioner, Laing O'Rourke<br><b>Rommell Wallace</b> , Co-Founder, Serious About Youth (SAY) |
| 12:10 – 12:35                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Delivering Place-Based Need in Local Government</b><br><b>Emma Grigson</b> , Bid Partnerships and Social Value Director, PeoplePlus UK<br><b>Jonny Boyden</b> , Social Value Key Account Director, PeoplePlusUK                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 12:40 – 13:05                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>The Politics of Purchasing: Navigating Populism, Pressure and Public Good</b><br><b>Christopher Hammond</b> , CEO, UK100                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 13:10 – 13:35                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Guarding London, Serving Society: Veteran Employment as a Social Value Driver</b><br><b>Christopher Hartley</b> , Managing Director, InLine Risk Solutions Ltd                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 13:40 – 14:05                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Building Collaborative Supply Chains that Deliver for People and Place</b><br><b>Anna McChesney Gordon</b> , Chief Strategy Officer, Social Value Portal                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 14:10 – 14:35                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Social Value: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly</b><br><b>Simon Grove-White</b> , Senior Researcher, Centre for Local Economic Strategies (CLES)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 14:40 – 15:05                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Unlocking Transformative Social Value</b><br><b>Cllr Jim Robbins</b> , Chair, Cooperative Councils Innovation Network<br><b>Mark Cook</b> , Partner, Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |



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## Technology & Transformation Zone



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### Procurement Solutions For a Changing Local Government Landscape

**Fraser Neilson**, Business Development Manager, Delta eSourcing & Supply Chain

11:10 – 11:45

### Panel Session – Stretching Funds, Maintaining Services: Navigating Fiscal Constraints with Amazon Business

**Christina Paraskevaidou**, Commercial Operations Manager, City of London Corporation  
**Ryan Moss**, Senior Customer Adviser, Amazon Business

11:50 – 12:15

### The Opportunities via Transparency: Making the Most of the New Procurement Notice Types

**Jen Pallister**, Head of Commercial Implementation, Cabinet Office

12:45 – 13:10

### Harnessing Data Technology to Stop Illegal Bid-Rigging

**Sarah Cawthorne**, Assistant Director, Competition Enforcement, Competition & Markets Authority

13:15 – 13:40

### What You See is What You Gett: Delivering Transparency and Value in Home-to-School Transport

**Guy Matthews**, Head of Public Sector, Gett

13:45 – 14:10

### Building Capability in Local Government Digital Procurements

**Georgina Maratheftis**, Associate Director – Local Public Services, techUK



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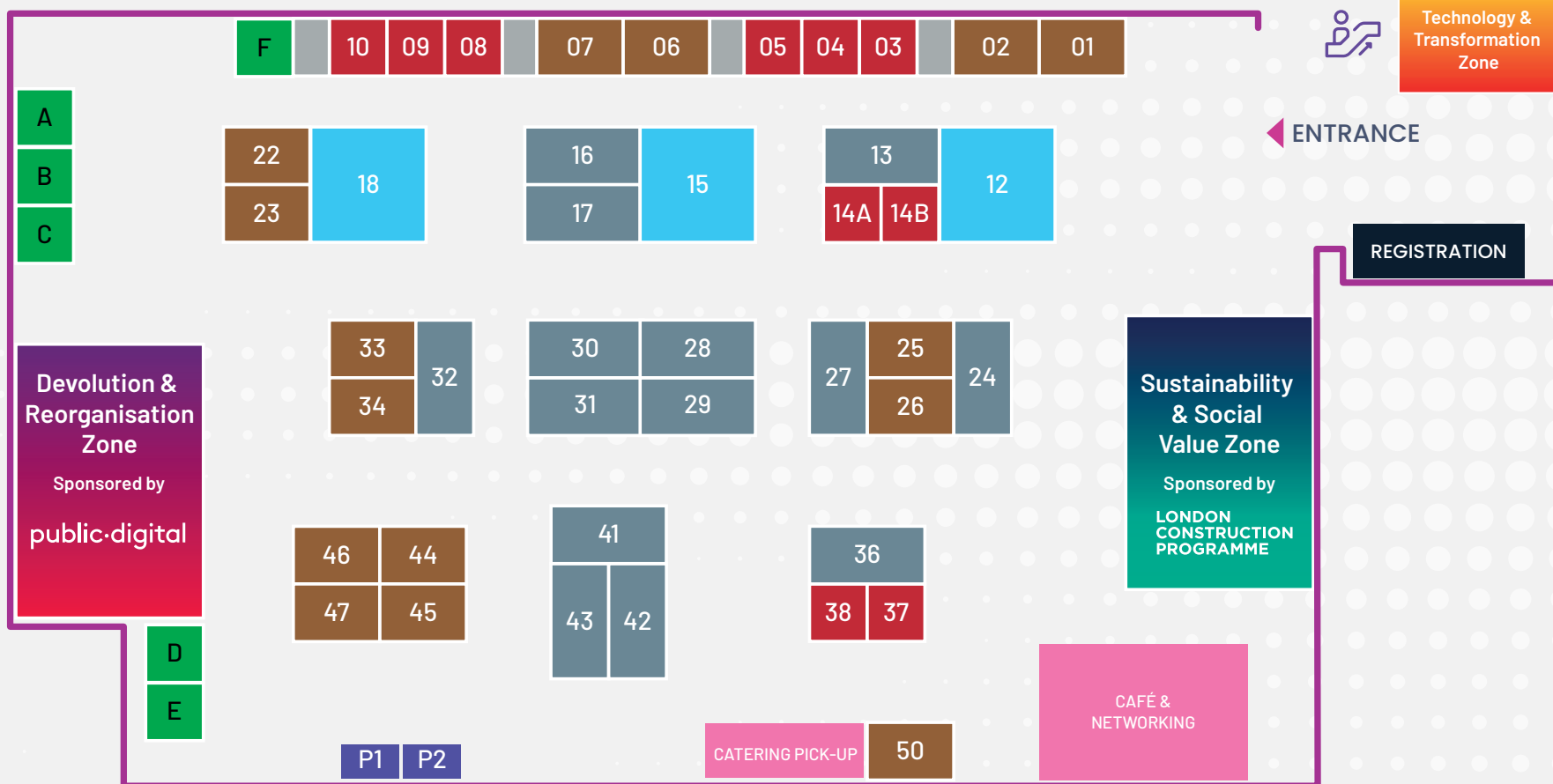
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