

For Information

Purpose

A brief summary of current issues and activities affecting the EAUC's Scotland Branch.

EAUC-Scotland Branch Developments

It is now some time since the EAUC-Scotland Branch met, with the last scheduled meeting postponed to allow for member input to a review of Branch activity and the format of its meetings.

A meeting is now overdue and efforts are being made to identify a suitable date at the end of August. Key topics for discussion will be the EAUC-Scotland conference on 1/11/11, and the review of Branch activity.

EAUC-Scotland Conference

The EAUC-Scotland Conference is to be held at the Perth Concert Hall on the 1/11/11. An impressive array of speakers has been lined up, including international speakers with experience of sustainability in both the North American and Australasian sectors.

All Board members are welcome to attend if diaries permit.

UCCCFs Annual Report Feedback

Universities & Colleges Climate Commitment for Scotland signatories continue to submit one-year follow-up reports. As at the end of July 2011 some 19 progress reports were available online. Further work is required to secure a full response rate and the EAUC Scotland team is making contact with institutions to ascertain progress.

“What’ll You Do Now”

Colleagues at a number of Scottish Universities, alongside representatives from the EAUC-Scotland administrative team, and Scottish Government are set to discuss an initiative to bring the much anticipated “What’ll You Do Now” exhibition to Scotland. WYDN is a follow-up to Mark Edwards’ global heralded Hard Rain (showcased at EAUC Conference in Warwick in 2009).

A Scottish version of the exhibition will be launched at the Royal Botanic Gardens Edinburgh in January 2012, and elements of it will be incorporated into an international version of WYDN which will be displayed at the Rio+20 Earth Summit in June 2012. Although the discussions are at an early stage, we see a very real opportunity to link this powerful, internationally renowned exhibition into the Universities & Colleges Climate Commitment for Scotland programme, most notably as part of the UCCCFs’ advocacy of behaviour change.

Other Projects

Full detail of all Scottish and UK projects will be included in a separate report by the UK Projects Manager.

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