COVID-19 STATEMENT

EAUC duly recognizes a public concern regarding the outbreak of COVID-19 and the approaching face to face / physical events we are holding.

Based on the current information, we have postponed all face to face / physical events until after Easter. This includes our regional meetings, Topic Support Network (TSN) and Community of Practice (CoP) events. Where possible we will hold these events virtually. If you are booked onto any of these events then details will be sent out for each specific event. The Carbon Literacy Training Programme is currently postponed – due to the nature of the training it is not appropriate to hold this virtually so new dates will be confirmed as soon as we can.

While the situation remains dynamic, we will be taking advice from both the World Health Organisation (WHO) and The Department of Health.

As it currently stands, the EAUC Conference on 22-24 June 2020 will take place as normal. Again this will be reviewed as new advice is given.

In light of the concerns and recent developments surrounding COVID-19, EAUC urges everyone to keep themselves up to date on the latest reliable information, and to be aware of, and adhere to, travel recommendations from local and international health agencies. EAUC also encourages all attendees to stay on top of any travel announcements that may impact their itinerary, such as cancellations and delays.

The current assessment by the ECDC of the risk associated with COVID-19 infection for people in the EU/EEA and UK is currently considered to be **high**. EAUC is closely following the daily risk assessment, which can be found here: [https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/current-risk-assessment-novel-coronavirus-situation](https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/current-risk-assessment-novel-coronavirus-situation)

The latest travel advice from the WHO can be found here: [https://www.who.int/ith/2019-nCoV_advice_for_international_traffic/en/](https://www.who.int/ith/2019-nCoV_advice_for_international_traffic/en/)

Recommended advice to delegates:

- Frequently clean hands by using alcohol-based hand rub or soap and water
- When coughing and sneezing cover mouth and nose with flexed elbow or tissue – throw tissue away immediately and wash hands
- Avoid close contact with anyone who has fever and cough
- If you have fever, cough and difficulty breathing seek medical care early and share previous travel history with your health care provider

EAUC continues to monitor the situation closely and will be updating the webpage and delegates with any new information accordingly.

With any questions or concerns, please contact us at info@eauc.org.uk