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A Potted History of Contaminated Land Ground Investigation in the UK

Christopher Swainston, Soils Ltd

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Refreshments at 6pm for 6:30pm Start
Location: **Arcadis, Temple Quay, Bristol**

The Western Regional Group is pleased to welcome Christopher Swainston, a Principal Environmental Engineer at Soils Ltd. Chris is delighted to present a potted personal history of contaminated land and site investigation in the UK along with some observations from the years he has been in the business. This includes some of the famous – and not so famous – places he has been involved with investigating, modelling, reporting and remediating, as well as some of the lessons to be learnt from them.

In addition, and in relation to current topics of interest in the wider geological and contaminated land sector, Chris will also comment on and explain some of the more basic issues that have arisen more recently regarding waste and asbestos in development and construction. These issues that can often lead to extensive and expensive problems arising if they are not considered, investigated and thought through properly.

The talk will discuss the history of contaminated land site investigation in the UK and in particular its relationship to the issues of waste and asbestos in relation to current UK site development.



Chris Swainston is chartered and CL:AIRE qualified with over 25 years industry experience, chairs EH/4 Soil Quality for BSI, represents the CLG on the Geological Society chartership committee and is a member of the AGS CLWG and SoBRA and was recently appointed as an editor for the QJEGH. He currently works for Soils Limited based in Winchester.

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