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A Potted History of Contaminated Land Ground Investigation in the UK

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Zoom Talk: opens at 6pm for 6:30pm Start

The Western Regional Group is pleased to welcome Chris Swainston who will discuss Site Investigation and Development: A quick guide regarding basic site investigation, contaminated land and current issues in development in the UK.

This talk proposes to cover, in brief, the main “environmental” issues and aspects currently affecting UK site development including a brief history of contaminated land, investigation, modelling, waste, risk assessment, data interpretation, asbestos, guidance and standards and as such is aimed as an introduction for anyone involved in any aspects of site development.

Chris Swainston BSc(Hons) PGCE FGS CGeol CLAIre QP, has over 27 years' experience in geo-environmental engineering and modelling, primarily within site investigation, monitoring and related remediation activities, Chris has significant experience of a wide range of works and activities in and around the contaminated land field including particular specialisms in site investigation, monitoring, waste, modelling and asbestos as a practitioner, advisor, mentor, field worker, writer, presenter and trainer. His work has been recognised with a commendation from the AGS contaminated land working group in 2018 and he has been Chair of the BSI Soil Quality Group EH/4 (responsible for BS10175, BS8485, BS8576 and others) since 2011. For the AGS and Ciria he has helped produced definitive industry guidance in the fields of asbestos safety for site investigation workers, sampling and monitoring protocols, interpretation of UK/CEN and ISO standards, environmental hazards, groundwater modelling, wastes and others. Chris is also a Member of the Editorial Board of QJEGH and a founding committee member of the Geological Society Contaminated Land Group, Member of SoBRA and a Claire QP



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