Welcome to **UKSG 2020** Brighton



First Timers Guide to the Conference and Guide to Brighton

Links in this Presentation



Throughout the presentation you will come across suggested URLs to visit for further information. As this video cannot use embedded links, to assist you we have compiled separate lists of hot links.
These lists can be found on the YouTube download page for this video and on the UKSG website under *First Timers Information*.

Welcome

- Thank you for registering for the UKSG 2020 Conference and Exhibition and a hearty welcome from us all.
- The conference is being held in the glorious English south coast resort of Brighton from 30th March to 1st April 2020.
- We are looking forward to welcoming you as a first-time delegate and are sure you will find the event informative and enjoyable.
- Over 900 colleagues should be attending but you will find us a very friendly bunch who will help to make your conference a memorable experience.
- We hope you are looking forward to meeting new people and old friends.



Introduction

- The purpose of this tutorial is to let you know what to expect and guide you through all aspects of the conference as well as giving you hints and tips for the best experience of the conference in particular and Brighton in general.

- My name is Brian Lewis and I am Digital Communications Associate at UKSG. At the conference you will find me in a bright blue vest with “Here to help” written on the back – got a problem, need information, got money to give away? Then I’m your man!!



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Where, when and how

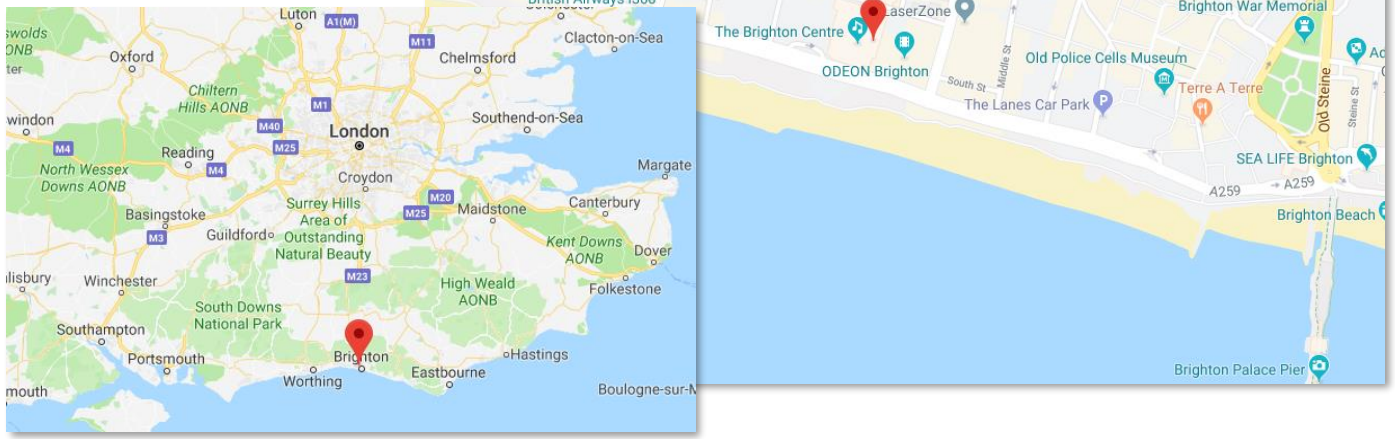
Right – you know the dates, now where is it? It's being held in Brighton on the south coast of England at the Brighton Centre on the sea front a stone's throw from the famous Brighton pier. The full address is:-

The Brighton Centre

Kings Road

Brighton, BN1 2GR

United Kingdom



How are you getting there?



- Air
- Road
- Public Transport

Travelling by Air?



By Plane - All the major London airports are within easy reach of Brighton.

- London Gatwick airport is approximately 30km (18 miles) north of the city & just 30 minutes away by train. There is a direct train service from Gatwick to Brighton. For more information about Gatwick go to *https://www.gatwickairport.com/*
- Heathrow Airport is situated approximately 30km west of central London it is about a 90 minute journey from Brighton. For more information about Heathrow go to *https://www.heathrow.com/*
- For other airports in UK please go to *https://www.visitbrighton.com*
- More information on how to get to Brighton from the airport can be found on the Visit Brighton website at *https://www.visitbrighton.com*

Travelling by road inside UK?

There are excellent public transport links into Brighton & Hove, but if you decide to drive to the city, the following information should help you plan your journey.



- Driving to Brighton from London. London to Brighton is approximately 50 miles. Simply take the A23/M23 south until you reach Brighton.
- Driving to Brighton from Kent and the South East. If you are travelling to Brighton from the East or West use the A27.
- For more detailed, or alternative routes to Brighton, visit the AA or RAC Route Planner website or use your SatNav using the post code of your hotel or the conference venue (BN1 2GR**)**

Travelling by road from outside UK?

- If you are travelling to the UK via ferry to Dover (approximately 2 hours) or Eurotunnel to Folkestone (approximately 1 hour 45 minutes) the quickest route is to:
  - Follow signs to and join the M20 signposted to London
  - Leave the M20 at junction 3, then join the M26 to Gatwick
  - Continue forward onto the M25 to Gatwick Airport
  - Leave the M25 at junction 7, then join the M23 signposted Brighton
  - Continue forward at junction 11 onto the A23.



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Travelling by Public Transport?



- Travelling by bus or coach information on *www.visitbrighton.com*
- Travelling by train information on *www.visitbrighton.com*

More information about transport to Brighton on *www.visitbrighton.com*



Not from the UK?



This might prove useful:-

- Britons drive on the left-hand side of the road.
- Unless directed otherwise by signs, markings or lights you cannot turn left at a red traffic light.
- Unless directed otherwise by signs, markings or lights give way to traffic coming from your right at roundabouts.
- It is legal to drive in Britain with a valid driving licence for up to 12 months from your arrival.
- Under British law, all drivers and passengers must wear seatbelts.
- Car seats or appropriate restraints are compulsory for children.
- It is prohibited (and dangerous!) to drive while using a hand-held mobile phone or similar device.
- Motorcyclists and passengers must wear a helmet.
- For details of UK road signs and rules of the road, pick up a copy of The Highway Code – available in bookshops and AA and RAC outlets or online.
- Visit *https://www.gov.uk/transport/driving-and-road-transport* legal conditions for drivers.

Other useful information

The climate in Brighton during March/April can be summarised as cool and reasonably dry.
March is in the spring in Brighton and is typically the 4th coldest month of the year. Daytime maximum temperatures average around a cool 9°C (49°F), whilst at night 3°C (37°F) is not unusual.
But it is the UK so pack something waterproof!!



As Brighton is a popular visitors and holiday makers destination. It is advisable to book your stay as early as possible.
Accommodation options are available on the UKSG web site or at https://*www.visitbrighton.com/accommodation*

What to pack

Clothing Layers – it's all about packing lots of layers of clothes, the British weather is very unpredictable. We could be sitting in sunshine and a couple of hours later there may be rain and it could be cold – (welcome to UK!!). Comfortable clothes are suggested and we particularly recommend comfortable shoes. But don't forget your glad rags for the Conference Gala Event on Tuesday!!

Average weather in Brighton in March

- Average Temperature 7°C (45°F)
- High Temperature 10°C (49°F)
- Low Temperature 4°C (40°F)
- Sunshine Hours 5 hours per day
- Rainfall 46 mm
- Rainfall days 8.6 days
- Sea Temperature 8°C (46°F)

Other

Dietary requirements.

- Any special dietary requirements should have been notified on the registration form. If you did not book yourself on the conference it would be worth checking with the UKSG registration/help desk who will be able to ascertain if your requirements have been logged.

Code of Conduct

- As you might expect there is a code of conduct that we require delegates to abide by. Details can be found *https://www.uksg.org/page/uksg-code-conduct*

The Conference app

The app is the essential guide for the conference and can be easily downloaded from the Apple store or Google play (search for UKSG Events) and can also be used online. It includes such features as

- Full details of sessions, speakers, exhibitors and delegates
- Maps to help you round the conference and exhibition
- Create your own schedule
- Request meetings
- Social Wall and easy networking with other delegates
- Ask plenary speakers questions
- Local and practical information
- Receive timely and helpful notifications



➲Please remember to complete the in-app survey ➲

First timers reception

On the Sunday evening there is a first-timers reception where you can meet UKSG staff, committee members and other first-timers with free drinks and nibbles! Come along and relax in the company of delegates with common interests.

Booking is essential and can be completed at the UKSG web site on the conference page under social events.



Who attends the UKSG Conference?

The types of people attending the UKSG conference are many and varied but in the main consist of

- Librarians
- Publishers
- Tech and service providers
- Scholars
- Funders
- Database providers

Details of attendees, their affiliations and of the exhibitors and speakers can be found in the app.

Meeting Format

Plenary sessions

- There are a number of plenary sessions over the 3 days where you can ask questions "live", via the app or if you prefer twitter use the hashtag #UKSG2020

Breakouts sessions

- You can choose from 4 different breakout sessions. In each breakout session there is a choice of about 6 talks. Each session is repeated twice over the 3 days giving you the chance to pick your favourite subjects.

Lightning sessions

- The lightning sessions are fast introductions to new topics, research or products

Meals and refreshments

- Lunches are served in the exhibition area with a number of water stations dotted around the location. All spare lunches are being donated to Antifreeze – part of Off The Fence. Go to the Off The Fence website more details.

Social events

- Sunday evening is reserved for the first-timers reception, Monday is quiz night and Tuesday is the Gala event. Don’t forget to book your place – seats are limited!

Spare time?

Brighton, on the UK's south coast, is a young and lively town that is widely known for its diverse communities, great art scene, quirky restaurants and bars. Brighton attracts millions of visitors every year and has developed into the UK's most popular seaside resort, where tourists can partake in a wide variety of activities. A guide the top ten things to do in Brighton are on the following pages.

Two free walking tours of Brighton has been arranged for Sunday 29th March at 13:30 and 15:00. If you'd like a place please register at the UKSG web site on the conference page under social events

Other information can be found on the *VisitBrighton* smartphone app now available from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.

Top ten attractions -1

- Visit Brighton Palace Pier. A stunning example of a Victorian pleasure pier, this is traditional seaside fun at its very best. Fish & chips, candy floss, rides for thrill seekers and the infamous stripy deckchairs!
- Visit the Lanes. From the lifestyle & jewellery shops of The Lanes to the retro chic of the North Laine, shopping in Brighton really is an experience in itself. You'll find everything from homeware & jewellery to vintage clothes & vegetarian shoes.
- Visit the Royal Pavilion. The Prince Regent’s original pleasure palace, you don’t get much more bonkers than this. Transformed by John Nash in the early 1800s, the Pavilion is one of the most dazzling & exotic buildings in the British Isles.

Top ten attractions - 2

- The world's oldest aquarium. Dive into a fascinating journey through the original Victorian architecture of the oldest operating aquarium in the world. From the coastline to the depths of the ocean, discover everything from sharks to a hands-on rock pool experience...
- Go up British Airways i360 Brighton's newest attraction glides visitors 162 metres high for breath-taking 360-degree views of Brighton & Hove - the city, coast & countryside. The i360 was officially named the Slenderest Tower by Guinness World Records in January 2016.
- Tour the city by bus. Buy a 24-hour City Sightseeing bus ticket and you can hop-on and hop-off the bus as many times as you like. Buses run every hour and the full loop takes 50 minutes but you can hop-on at any stop along the route.

Top ten attractions - 3

- Brighton Museum & Art Gallery. Don't miss Brighton Museum & Art Gallery's range of dynamic & innovative galleries, including fashion & style, 20th century art and design & fine art. Also features exciting interactive displays suitable for all ages, plus changing exhibitions.
- Walk on Brighton Beach. Named one of the Top 10 ‘cities with brilliant beaches’ by Lonely Planet, Brighton beach is famous for its pebbles (there are an estimated 614,600,000! – go on count them!) and attracts people to its shores all year round.
- Discover Hove's iconic beach huts with their colourful & vibrant facades & enjoy the leisurely feel of Hove seafront, with its plush seafront lawns overlooked by the beautiful Regency architecture of Brunswick Square, Hove and the stunning Adelaide Crescent.

Top ten attractions - 4

- Visit Brighton Marina. Brighton Marina is the largest marina in the UK. It has plenty to do for all ages, within its picturesque waterfront surroundings. With lots of activities and shops there's never a dull moment. You can relax in one of the many cafés or restaurants and watch the yachts sail by. More information can be found at *https://www.brightonmarina.co.uk/*.
- Looking for something else? Download the VisitBrighton app now available from the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. Or visit the Brighton visitors website.

Thanks for watching ☺
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