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Limited spaces

Places on the conference are strictly limited to 150 seats. We expect the places to sell out fast, so don't miss out.

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"Despite a succession of consultations, reform of business rates appears as elusive as ever. Nevertheless, a combination of structural change and Brexit induced uncertainty mean the case for change is pressing.

Join us as we examine the options in creating a system that meets the requirements of 21st century occupiers. Thought leaders and leading practitioners will guide you through the issues that challenge the creation of a fairer local taxation system"

Mark Higgin, Chair –RICS Rating and Local Taxation Group

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Rating Conference 2018

Future of the UK business
rates system

24 January 2018

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RICS Rating Conference 2018

24 January 2018 (08.45 – 17.10)

St James' Court, A Taj Hotel, 54 Buckingham Gate, London, SW1E 6AF

1 April 2017 saw the introduction of a new Rating List for all non-domestic properties in England, Scotland and Wales, bringing with it new challenges, processes and procedures. With 7 years since the last adjustment, there were some major fluctuations.

Coinciding with the Revaluation the Government also introduced a new business rates appeals system called "Check. Challenge. Appeal." The CCA system has created much unrest and uncertainty with many finding the system to be unfair and impossible to navigate.

More than ever there's a need for clarity in this complex and technical area of practice.

This year's Rating Conference seeks to provide that clarity by giving delegates the most important updates and developments in the evolution of UK rating practice.



Your day

What we're covering

The main purpose of the conference is to provide the latest updates and guidance on UK rating practices following the 2017 Revaluation. Here's some of what we'll be covering:

- Understand the implications that **more frequent revaluations** could have by allowing the UK rating system to be more responsive to developments in the property market
- Identify how the current rating system should address the burgeoning imbalance between **online and traditional retail**
- Examine the impact that **emerging technology could have on the business rates calculations**, including the use of Automated Valuation Models and Artificial Intelligence
- Benefit from an update on the CCA online service from **HMRC Digital and the VOA**, and hear about planned improvements.
- Gain an understanding of **international approaches to property taxation** through a session comparing the UK system with that of the other global regions.

It's about more than just rating

As well as an industry-leading group of speakers and content, when you attend you can also expect...

Networking

Networking is a critical part of working in this sector, but as a busy professional it can be a struggle to find the time to do this effectively.

With this in mind we've set aside time in the day to give you a chance to catch up with your peers and network with our expert panel of speakers.

Lunch

One of these is the two-course networking lunch (included in the price of your ticket) where you can enjoy a selection of tasty food while catching up with colleagues old and new.

Five and a half hours of formal CPD

On top of that, attending the event also gives you five and a half hours of formal CPD to tick off against your annual 20-hour requirement.

Additional information

Hear from those leading the industry

Delegates will hear first-hand from a range of experts on the key challenges brought about by the 2017 Revaluation as well as issues impacting the future of rating in the UK.

Attend to ensure you are part of this debate and stay at the forefront of your profession through unrivalled access to leading content. Bringing together approximately 150 attendees, this event provides an important forum for debate and discussion – don't miss your opportunity to attend.

Speakers include

Ken Barclay
Chair, Commission into the Review of Non-Domestic Rates in Scotland

Margaret Whitby
NDR /CCA Product Owner, Valuation Office Agency

Brigid McBride
Director of Digital Transformation, HMRC

Mark Higgin
Partner, Head of Rating, Montagu Evans LLP

Roger Messenger
Partner, Wilks Head & Eve

Paul Sanderson
President, International Property Tax Institute

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