

BTS CONGRESS 2024 Sustainability Pledge

The BTS are aware that conferences can take a heavy toll on resources and the environment, often generating significant waste. We remain committed to make the 2024 Congress as sustainable as possible. To assist with this, we are asking our attendees to consider and commit to as many of the following as possible:

- Maximise the use of QR codes to share contact details, rather than business cards.
- Travel to the congress venue by rail, or car share with colleagues attending the congress.
 - London North Eastern Railway (LNER) offer a 25% discount on Advanced Standard and First Class Fares on LNER journeys. Further details can be found here: https://www.lner.co.uk/tickets-savings/savings-rewards/special-offers/deals/25-off-harrogate-convention-centre/
- Bring water bottles and reusable coffee cups to use on-site.

The organisers and exhibitors of the BTS Congress 2024 agree to, amongst other items, the following:

- Maximise the use of QR codes to share contact details, rather than business cards.
- Consider using local, sustainable and in-season produce.
- Avoid handing out single-use, plastic gifts to delegates.
- Work with local providers (i.e caterers/AV providers) with on site equipment.
- Encourage and facilitate virtual presentations from overseas presenters. Any overseas presenters who choose to attend the BTS Congress are strongly encouraged to factor their attendance to the UK in with additional travel plans.
- Work to produce a carbon offset report for the BTS Congress 2024.

