

COVID and UK EO Conference

Wearing of masks in the UK is no longer mandatory and a matter of personal choice. However we would encourage you to use a mask while traveling and during the conference.

We recommend that you take a test before you come and we will provide you with a FFP2 mask on your first day of registration. For information, National Space Centre (NSC) staff are not required to wear masks as it is no longer mandatory and it is their personal choice to do so.

Should you feel unwell while at UK EO Conference please let us know and we can direct you to testing and/or relevant medical facilities. We will also have a limited number of lateral flow tests available.

Concerning the venue, much of the National Space Centre is artificially lit and does not have natural daylight. These areas are well ventilated with HVAC run at full speed. Air is constantly recirculated through filters and pulls in fresh air as required. Air quality is monitored in the Planetarium.

The Shuttle Suite rooms (for parallel sessions/overflow) and John Eggleston room (for posters and exhibitors) do have natural light and windows/doors that will be open to increase ventilation.

Where possible we will have one-way traffic around the venue to reduce congestion. There are separate entrance and exits for the Planetarium. From the Shuttle Suite rooms delegates can leave via the fire exit doors and then re-enter the building via the main entrance back through Boosters.

Lunch and refreshments will be served across two areas (Boosters and Soyuz Lounge) to minimise queuing and keep within safe capacities. There are benches outside NSC (and in the nearby Abbey Pumping station and overlooking the canal) for you to take your breaks outside if the weather is favourable.

We have exclusive hire of the NSC and all areas can be accessed during the breaks. Capacity of NSC is normally 1500, our conference will have 330 delegates.

Sanitisation stations are provided throughout NSC and in event spaces. There will be increased cleaning at high-touch points and within meeting spaces.

Finally we ask all our delegates to respect people's personal space.