

Annual Scientific Conference and Annual General Meeting

**“Membership of the European Union: Challenges for Veterinary Public Health”**

The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies  
University of Edinburgh  
Edinburgh, United Kingdom

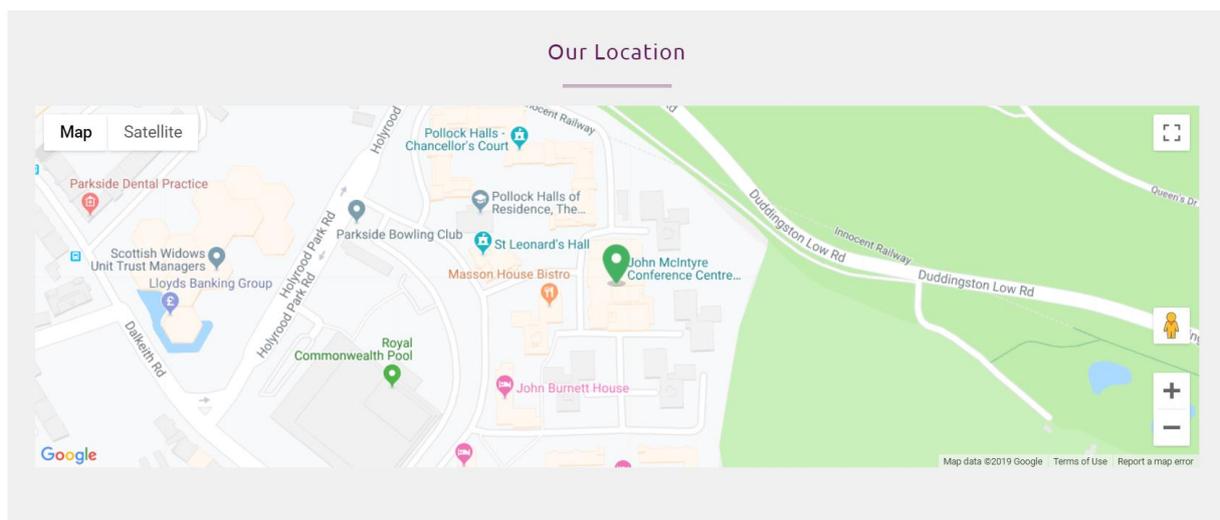
**2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

We are delighted to welcome you to the ECVPH scientific conference and AGM 2019 in Edinburgh that is the perfect occasion to meet colleagues from all around Europe and stay in touch with the College activities. Guests can also enjoy the beautiful city of Edinburgh during their stay especially if extended to the weekend. It is possible to take part to organised Whisky Tours and/or take part to trips to nearby beautiful Scottish cities or to the Highlands.

Visit <https://cabsedinburgh.eventsair.com/QuickEventWebsitePortal/ecvph-2019/home-page> for more information.

**CONFERENCE VENUE**

The conference venue for all activities of the ECVPH Conference and AGM 2019 is the **John McIntyre Conference Centre (Pollock Halls), the University of Edinburgh:** <https://www.edinburghfirst.co.uk/venues/john-mcintyre-conference-centre/>



The access to the John McIntyre Conference Centre is from Holyrood Park Road (18, Holyrood Park Road, Edinburgh EH16 5AY).

## **TRAVEL to the John McIntyre Conference Centre**

### **By Airplane and bus**

Once landed at Edinburgh airport follow the signposts to the bus stand just outside the airport arrivals, here the easiest option is to take the 300 SKYLINK bus service that runs every 20 minutes will take you directly to Newington Road and from there an easy ten minute walk to the Conference Centre. More information, timetable and tickets can be found at: <https://www.lothianbuses.com/our-services/airport-buses/> . Other options can be available by checking directions and instructions from Google Map or similar apps on your mobile phone or tablet.

### **By Train and bus**

Once arrived at Edinburgh Waverly Station follow the signposts to the bus stands on North Bridge. From there is possible to take bus n. 14, n. 7, n. 3 or n. 30 that will take you nearby the Conference Centre. More information, timetable and tickets can be found at: <https://www.lothianbuses.com/> . Other options can be available by checking directions and instructions from Google Map or similar apps on your mobile phone or tablet.

### **By Car**

If you are coming by car just be aware that there are limited parking spaces at the Conference Centre so you may be required to park on Holyrood Park Road or nearby streets where parking charges apply.

### **By Taxi**

To travel from the airport to the hotel by taxi, exit the airport building and follow the signposts to the official airport taxi service. You can also quote the cost of the fair and book in advance at: <https://www.airporttaxi-uk.co.uk/Edinburgh>.

Within the city of Edinburgh the official taxi service is <https://www.citycabs.co.uk/> which can be booked online, via phone or mobile app which is available on iPhone/Android store.

## **ACCOMODATION**

A selection of accomodation have been made available to you through the ECVPH website at: <https://cabsedinburgh.eventsair.com/QuickEventWebsitePortal/ecvph-2019/home-page> .

The accomodation booking service through this link is free of charge.

Accommodation options are also avialble in Pollock Halls next to the John McIntyre Conference Centre at: <https://www.edinburghfirst.co.uk/accommodation-internal/>. ECVPH conference delegates can enjoy a 15% discount on a selection of rooms available at the Masson House Hotel if booking on-line through [www.book.accom.ed.ac.uk](http://www.book.accom.ed.ac.uk) and quote promotion code: EVENT.

Alternatively, there are several hotels, guest houses and Bed & Breakfasts around Cameron Toll, Mayfield gardens and St. Clerck street that are very close (walking distance) to the Conference Centre.

## **OTHER NEARBY LOCATIONS OF INTEREST**

The John McIntyre Conference Centre is located next to the Commonwealth Swimming Pool and Leisure Centre which is open to the public daily from 5.30am to 10pm. More information at:

<https://www.edinburghleisure.co.uk/venues/royal-commonwealth-pool>

The Conference centre is located just off Holyrood Park which offers skyline walks to Arthur's Seat. Arthur's Seat is an ancient volcano and sits 251m above sea level giving excellent view of the city; it is also the site of a large and well preserved fort. This is one of four hill forts dating from around 2000 years ago. With its diverse range of flora and geology it is also site of special scientific interest. More information at:

<https://www.visitscotland.com/info/see-do/holyrood-park-and-arthurs-seat-p914341>

On the edge of Holyrood Park, 30 minutes walking distance from the conference venue there are:

- The Palace of Holyrood House which is the residence for the official summer visit of the royal family. More information at: <https://www.rct.uk/visit/palace-of-holyroodhouse>
- The Scottish Parliament which is open to the public for visits. More information at: <https://www.parliament.scot/>
- Duddingston Village, that dates back to the 12th century and is a dedicated conservation area. The village's oldest surviving building is Duddingston Kirk, which is one of the oldest places of worship still in use in Scotland. In the village there is also a tucked away garden managed by local volunteers, which is not usually advertised in the touristic guides. Opening times and more information at: <http://www.drneilsgarden.co.uk/>.

### ["EDINBURGH VACATION TRAVEL GUIDE"](#)

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