



**Breakfast Briefing
19th January 2007**

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Business Continuity Educational Event

Following a number of successful BC Educational Events held by the Continuity Forum, our members and associates have requested that we organise a special Breakfast Briefing for the Scottish Audience.

We are delighted on this occasion to be working with AEGON, the Scottish Continuity Group and the EPS, to offer an educational briefing, specific to the requirements of Scotland.

Many organisations have realised the value of Business Continuity plans to mitigate the effects of disruption, but traditionally plans have focused on IT systems and assets and neglecting other critical activities.

With new BSI Standards for Business Continuity and increased regulation organisations are realising that their planning must evolve to reflect industry “good practice” or lose out to better prepared competitors.

With no standards for what should be included in such plans, it should not be a surprise that often, significant components have not been included. Organisations have even found that though their continuity plans were implemented, their ability to do business was impacted because they neglected planning in critical component areas. Standards can help to get the planning right by looking at all aspects of continuity - you're then more likely to avoid such mishaps and improve business continuity.

The Continuity Forum has teamed up with AEGON, the Scottish Continuity Group and The EPS to run this breakfast seminar, aimed at addressing these issues, and we'll be hearing from some of those involved with the drafting of the new Business Continuity British Standard and its implications.

It is expected that this prestigious event will attract a large audience, offering potential networking with businesses of all sizes in the local area. We urge early registration.

The event is offered free of charge to delegates, and is aimed at those from the whole of Scotland. For further information, or to book your space, please contact us immediately:

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Outline Agenda

08.30 Registration & Coffee

09.00 Introduction & Housekeeping

09.15 Opening Address

Lorna Anderson, UK Business Continuity Manager, AEGON

9.30 The New British Standards

John Sharp, Policy & Development Director, The Continuity Forum

10.15 Lessons Learned from Real Events

Donald Burt, Operations Director, Aulds Food Limited

10.45 Coffee & Networking

11.15 The Scottish Continuity Group – Overview and Future Plans

Gordon Mackie, Scottish Continuity Group

11.45 The Emergency Planning Society - TBC

12.30 Round up and Closing Comments

The Continuity Forum/AEGON/Scottish Continuity Group/EPs



Partner Information:

AEGON:

We're part of the AEGON Group, one of the world's largest life insurance and pension companies. In the UK, we have pensions, life insurance, asset management and advice businesses. And a refreshingly different approach to finance.

THE CONTINUITY FORUM:

The Continuity Forum provides independent advice, information and support to the private and public sectors covering all aspects of BCM, Disaster Recovery, Crisis Management, Emergency Planning and Security. We are an independent NGO that specialises in providing practical information, assistance and guidance to organisations of all types needing to create effective Business Continuity Management programmes.

The Continuity Forum is committed to building the levels of Business Continuity Planning (BCP) and Resilience of organisations internationally, regardless of size or sector, through information, education and the promotion of best practice Business Continuity Management (BCM) and the related disciplines of Crisis Management and Disaster Recovery.

THE SCOTTISH CONTINUITY GROUP:

The Scottish Continuity Group was formed in 1995 to enable the free-flow of information on best practice in Business Continuity Management in Scotland. At its inception, membership was limited to Business Continuity Professionals actively involved in the Financial Services Industry. Over a short period of time, membership increased, as did the scope of public and private sector operations represented. The organisation is dedicated to the following objectives:

- Acting as an independent forum for benchmarking current BC Practice
- Encouraging and supporting the application of BC 'best practice' through networking events, conferences and training events.
- Encouraging the development and provision of BC related education, training and development activities within the Scottish Training Provider community.
- Encouraging and supporting conferences, meetings, seminars and social events arranged for the benefit of the membership on a non-profit basis.

In order to achieve these objectives, The Scottish Continuity Group :

- Offers appropriate membership levels to attract a comprehensive and representative membership throughout Scotland; including student, individual and corporate.
- Facilitates the exchange of information regarding Business Continuity Management and Incident Management and Co-ordination within all sectors of services, industry and commerce in the public and private sector for the benefit and in the interests of the individual members, their employers and clients.
- Encourages and supports the integration of Business Continuity Management into the day-to-day management structure of member organizations.



Speaker Biographies

LORNA ANDERSON

Lorna Anderson is AEGON UK's Business Continuity Manager. She joined AEGON UK in August 2004 specifically to head up the BC Team. Lorna has in excess of 8 years direct experience of the Business Continuity Management within Financial Services, Investment & Banking environments.

She has a breadth of incident management experience including co-ordinating organisational responses for Y2k, 9/11, various call centre relocations, G8 and the London bombings, to name but a few.

Lorna is active within various professional organisations including the BCI, EPS, ICDDDS and the Scottish Continuity Group. She recently attained her MSc in Performance Psychology at Edinburgh University, by undertaking research into Crisis Management Team Member Competence due for publication in January 2007.

JOHN SHARP:

John Sharp is recognised world-wide for the contributions he has made to Business Continuity Management. In 2004 he was made an Honorary Fellow of the Business Continuity Institute and at the 2004 BCM Awards in London was given a special award for his outstanding contribution to the industry. In 2005 John was elected to the US BCM Hall of Fame for the work he has done to raise the professionalism of BCM across the world.

John is the Policy & Development Director for the Continuity Forum, an educational and development not-for-profit body. From 1997 until 2004 he was the Chief Executive Officer of the Business Continuity Institute where he was responsible for delivering services to members throughout the world and working with all facets of industry, commerce and government to enhance the understanding and commitment to business continuity as a key management discipline.

DONALD BURT:

After gaining a degree in Food Science from Strathclyde University, Donald worked for a Food Research Establishment for six years. He joined Aulds in 1984 as Technical Manager and between 1989 - 92 did a part time Master of Business Administration (MBA), also at Strathclyde. He took over as General Manager of Aulds new plant at Inchinnan in 1993 and became Production Director in 1998. He has been with Aulds for 22 years which shows a distinct lack of ambition!

GORDON MACKIE:

Gordon has worked in IT and Disaster Recovery since 1975, and has worked for Universities, a major computer manufacturer and three major financial sector organisations. He is currently the Senior Architect in Standard Life's ISOS Service Continuity Team, responsible for design, implementation and testing of all IT Disaster Recovery and Workplace Recovery solutions worldwide. He is also responsible for IT Risk Management. He has worked on every generation of computer system and network topology, and has a wide knowledge of systems recovery, as well as strong Service Management skills, having worked for many years in IS Service Management. He is the Chairman of the Scottish Continuity Group.

