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Edge Debate 68 - Monday 20th April 2015

Educating the Industry

Tackling the green-skills gap of mid-career professionals.

Green Sky Thinking's spotlight Green Debate in partnership with London South Bank University (LSBU)

How do we educate the construction industry to enable the rapid delivery of low carbon retrofits of existing buildings in order to reach the UK's 2050 carbon emissions targets?

- What technical skills do mid-career professionals need?
- What non-technical skills do they need?
- How can professionals be motivated to develop the necessary skills?
- What are the best ways to deliver them?
- How should young people already trained in sustainability engage with earlier generations who are not?
- What does the role of a 'retrofit coordinator' look like? How do we make it mainstream and what is the role of universities and the industry in developing it?

Introduction: David Ball
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Chair: Clare Wildfire
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Panel: Charles Egbu
Dean, School of the Built Environment and Architecture, LSBU

Gavin Killip
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Tom Dollard
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Venue: Keyworth Events Theatre, London Southbank University
Keyworth Centre, 21 Keyworth St. London SE1 6NG

Timing: Debate 6.30pm for 7.00pm – 8.30pm

The debate will be followed by a wine reception and networking.

To attend please register on the [Green Sky Thinking website](http://www.greenskyskythinking.com)

The Edge is an inter-institutional ginger group that seeks to promote interdisciplinary co-operation between construction professionals. Synopses of previous debates are recorded on our website www.edgedebate.com

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