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7 NOVEMBER 2016

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This lecture will be as relevant to the Railway Division as it is to the Tribology Group, as it considers the rail engineering aspect of maintenance work alongside the physical capabilities of the materials used.



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Paul Allen is the Assistant Director of the Institute of Railway Research and is a recognised expert in railway vehicle dynamics and wheel-rail interaction. His main research activities are in the field of wheel-rail contact and computer modelling of railway vehicle suspensions, a small and highly specialised area which has a major influence on the behaviour of railways and track. He has been working in this area for over 15 years and has built up a substantial international reputation for the work carried out by himself and the team. Paul is a coauthor of the 'Handbook of Railway Vehicle Dynamics,' which includes contributions from many leading experts and is the established text in this field.

PROGRAMME

17:15 Registration and refreshments

18:00 Lecture to commence

19:30 Lecture to conclude. Q&A session

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