



SCTE Hosts Autumn Lecture and AGM in London



The SCTE hosted another very successful lecture in October, as part of its regular Lecture Series throughout the year. This one, entitled 'The Fibre Spectrum: From Build To Skills' took place at One Great George Street, the fabulous, Grade II Listed Edwardian headquarters of the Institution of Civil Engineers in the heart of Westminster, and we were delighted to welcome Mark Basham, VP Advanced FTTX Solutions at Technetix, who delivered a fascinating lecture on the Micro Approach to FTTx Network Build.

This was followed by Michael Lee and Tom Rigg of B4RN (Broadband for the Rural North), who provided an excellent, detailed overview of their non-profit approach to connecting rural communities and what they and the communities they serve get out of it. You can read all about B4RN and their philosophy in our interview with Michael and Tom on page 42. Colin Waterworth, Director of Customer Engagement was next with 'Leveraging the Intelligence Behind Data to

Improve Design Quality and Efficiency', a highly entertaining and revealing look at how exploiting data in the right way can go on to deliver serious results.

Our AGM followed in the afternoon, followed by the SCTE's first all-female panel, which addressed topics such as the skills shortage, looking at some truly innovative and inspiring approaches the industry has to appeal to a diverse range of talent. The panel was moderated by Dr Gillian Kendrick, CEO and founder of RealWorld UK, and featured Karen Handley, Head of Future Careers at Virgin Media O2, Tamryn Sutcliffe, Training Delivery Lead at Vorboss and Roshene McCool, Senior Market and Technology Development Manager at Corning.

The networking opportunities this venue provided were second to none, as was the catering; our guests stayed on for some time enjoying a glass of wine and working the room.



SAVE THE DATE

If you missed this Lecture, our Spring Lecture takes place on 14 March 2024 at One Great George Street featuring speakers from Technetix, Harmonic, Teleste, Amphenol and Canopus Networks. If you can't wait that long, you can see all these wonderful lectures on our YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@thescte>