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SCTE ANNOUNCES VIRTUAL SPRING LECTURE

London, 8 March 2021: The SCTE (Society for Broadband Professionals) is hosting its annual Spring Lecture for its members and partners as part of its remit to educate and inform. Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic the event, which was to be hosted at the National Motorcycle Museum in Birmingham, is a virtual one this year, taking place on the SCTE's own dedicated Zoom platform.

With an impressive roster of speakers, the event focuses on the fibre roll out taking place at a pace around the country, rising to the challenges wrought by the pandemic and the enormous reliance the general public is now placing on superfast broadband provision in their homes.

Clayton Nash, Strategy Director at CityFibre will deliver a lecture on the increasing profile that the alt-net providers are gaining on the fibre landscape, detailing the company's achievements but focusing on the skills shortages and challenges that remain. Malcolm Corbett, CEO of INCA, will give a broader view of the industry and the commercial and technical pressures that face this roll out in such unprecedented times. Peter Adams, Market Manager, Datacenter, Amphenol will be delivering a presentation on High-Capacity Datacenter Splicing, addressing current and future challenges.

Finally, Chris Swires, Chair of the SCTE Training Committee will be discussing the training opportunities for new recruits to the industry as well as the importance of technical training in areas such as intermittent fault-finding and solving network problems.

Costas Kyriacou, Chair of the Lecture Committee leading this programme said, "Each year the Spring Lecture addresses developments in the sector, and it is an opportunity for our members and partners to meet and learn from each other. Despite the limitations on meeting in person this year, by delivering a Virtual Spring Lecture we are delighted to be bringing the best of the industry's thought leaders together, reaching out to our hardworking community of engineers and technicians with cutting-edge, industry intelligence and inspiring presentations."

There is no need to register in advance. The event is free of charge and places are unlimited. The event begins at 2pm on March 24 via this link: <https://bit.ly/38arZa6>

The Society will return to the National Motorcycle Museum in Birmingham for its Annual General Meeting and Autumn Lecture on October 7, 2021

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About SCTE (Society for Broadband Professionals)

Founded in 1945, the SCTE is a Learned Society and non-profitmaking organisation whose aim is to raise the standard of broadband engineering in the telecommunications industry. The Society particularly concerns itself with the training and career advancement of technical professionals in the field. As a Learned Society, the SCTE provides accreditation and certification for its members, giving them professional standing within the industry. See www.thescte.eu

The SCTE (Society for Broadband Professionals) celebrated its 75th anniversary last year and, as an anniversary gift to the industry, made a free special edition of the SCTE Fibre Optic Transmission for Technicians Course available. The Society produces a quarterly Broadband Journal and bi-annual handbook.

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