



**Annual Scientific Meeting and
Instructional Course, Newcastle**

**Industry
Brochure**



The BESS Annual Scientific Meeting is the premier upper limb forum in the UK and Eire.

The Glasshouse International Centre, formerly known as The Sage Gateshead, houses two main stages of acoustic excellence, a 26-room music education centre, a music information resource centre, four bars, a brasserie and a cafe. Located along a vibrant waterfront, with breathtaking views of the River Tyne. Conveniently located just a 20-minute walk from Newcastle Central Station.

Our local organising committee is looking forward to welcoming our industry friends to this exciting venue combining the vibrant energy and stunning riverside views of Newcastle Gateshead, a cityscape brimming with culture, innovation, and unforgettable experiences!



Programme for 2026

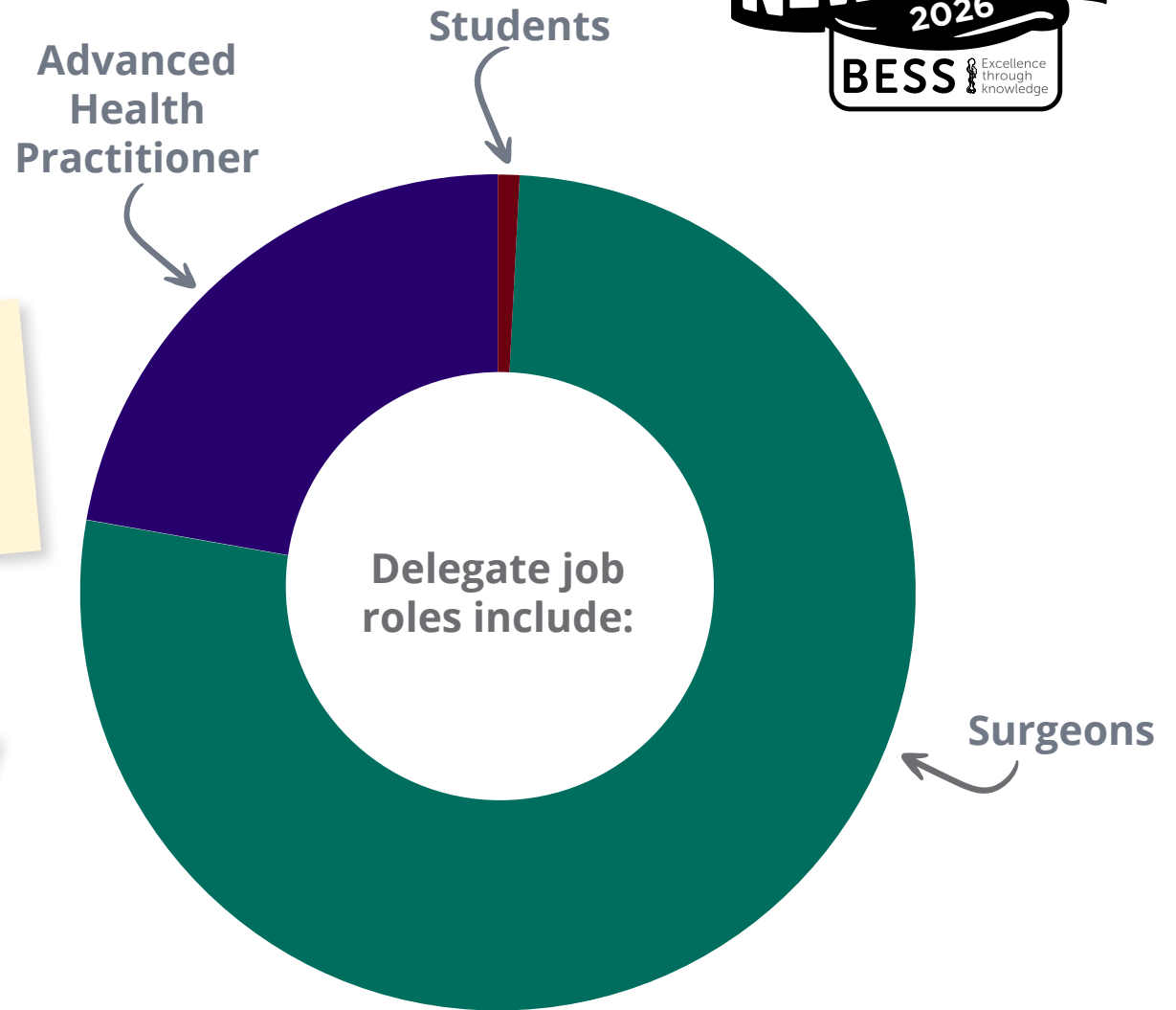


Date	Time	Programme
Tuesday 23 June 2026	08:00 - 18:00	Exhibition build
Wednesday 24 June 2026	08:00 - 18:00	Instructional Course (Approximately 400 delegates) Exhibition Informal drinks at the end of the day
Thursday 25 June 2026	08:00 - 18:00 19:30 - 23:30	Annual Scientific Meeting (650+ delegates) Exhibition Conference Dinner
Friday 26 June 2026	08:00 - 15:30	Annual Scientific Meeting (650+ delegates) Exhibition

Exhibition de-rig can commence after lunch on Friday 26 June, from 14:30.

Please note these timings are subject to change and will be updated closer to the event

Key Facts & Figures



Reasons to invest in BESS Annual Scientific Meeting



The BESS Annual Scientific Meeting is the premier upper limb forum in the UK and Eire

- 99% of the 650+ delegates are Surgeons or Allied Health Professionals
- An exciting programme with a wide range of streams will attract a broad spectrum of delegates
- Provides visibility and credibility to your company
- Speak directly to your target market
- Take Advantage of face-to-face meeting with hundreds of delegates
- A series of dedicated networking opportunities
- Introduce new or improved materials to a well-engaged audience
- Use the event as a platform to launch/showcase new technology
- Build on and strengthen existing relationships
- Learn about new developments in your industry
- Unmissable opportunity to contribute to the surgical debate
- Increase your company profile and product to your target audience
- Access to delegates before, during, and after the conference via the App
- Range of packages to suit all budgets



Supporter Opportunities



Platinum Supporter Package (inc. Industry Workshop)

£19,500
+vat

- 45 minute lunchtime Industry Workshop* (Running concurrently on either Thursday 25 or Friday 26 June 2026 during the main programme)
- Exhibition space: 6m x 3m
- 6 x Exhibition stand passes
- Your logo on every delegate badge
- Your logo added on to all pre and post event marketing material (including delegate emails)
- Access to delegates before and during the conference via the App
- 2 x Conference App advertising spots to all delegates
- 1 x Conference App advertising spot
- Digital advert on the conference App home page
- Company logo on every page of the conference website with hyperlink to own website (+500 words on the exhibition page)
- Branding on Conference slides showing supporters logo

There are a total of 6 Platinum Supporter Packages available.

*Industry Workshop content

Support of an Industry Workshop will allow companies to present a scientific programme relevant to the main theme of the conference. This is subject to the programme being acceptable to the Educational Committee, who will be happy to advise on the structure. There will be a balance between scientific and marketing and a BESS representative will be present and responsible for each Workshop.

Workshops will be run during the main programme. A platinum package will allow a company to have one workshop. Allocation will be made based on availability at the time of booking. Numbers will be limited per workshop to ensure they remain engaging and interactive.

Package includes

- Chairs (if required)
- Standard electricity
- Hire of Workshop room with your company branding (one day)
- Hire of audio visual equipment and technician

SOLD OUT

Please note all content of the Industry Workshop, adverts and push notifications are subject to approval of the BESS Council.

Supporter Opportunities



This year, due to space constraints at the venue, we are offering two different sizes of gold stands: three at 4m x 2.5m and one at 5m x 2m.

Gold Supporter Package

- Exhibition space: 4m x 2.5m
- 3 x Exhibition stand passes
- Company logo on the conference website with hyperlinks to own website (200 characters)
- Access to deliver a presentation and display the conference on the
- Free access to the conference for 3 delegates
- Free access to the conference for 3 delegates

3 Available

SOLD OUT

£14,000 +vat

Stands are subject to approval and are booked on a first come basis.

Gold Supporter Package

- Exhibition space: 5m x 2m
- 3 x Exhibition stand passes
- Company logo on the conference website with hyperlinks to own website (200 characters)
- Access to deliver a presentation and display the conference on the
- Free access to the conference for 3 delegates
- Free access to the conference for 3 delegates

1 Available

SOLD OUT

£14,000 +vat

Stands are subject to approval and are booked on a first come basis.

Please note all exhibitors are subject to approval of the BESS Educational Committee.

Supporter Opportunities



Silver Supporter Package

5 Available

- Exhibition space: 3m x 2.5m
- 2 x Exhibition stand passes
- Company logo on the conference website with hyperlink to own website (150 words)
- Access to delegates before and during the conference via the App
- Digital listing on the Conference App

Stands are all space only and are booked on a first come basis.

**£8,000
+vat**

Bronze Supporter Package

10 Available

- Exhibition space: 2m x 2m
- 1 x Exhibition stand pass
- Company logo on the conference website with hyperlink to own website (100 words)
- Digital listing on the Conference App

Stands are all space only and are booked on a first come basis.

**£4,000
+vat**

Power and one chair per exhibitor (based on their package) is included on each stand. Additional, chargeable, power can be booked. Stand bookings are via the website, in real time, on a first come basis, which will allow you to choose your package and stand number at the time of booking.

All packages include refreshments during the day. All prices are +vat @20%.

Please note all exhibitors are subject to approval of the BESS Educational Committee.

Additional Exhibitor Passes

This year we are offering various options for Additional Exhibitor Passes

**Additional
Exhibitor Pass**

1 Day

£200.00

**Additional
Exhibitor Pass**

2 Days

£280.00

**Additional
Exhibitor Pass**

3 Days

£360.00

Exhibitor Passes are non-transferable and must be purchased in the correct names prior to the event.

Conference Dinner

Please note these are now not included in your package and tickets can be purchased at an additional cost.

Additional Supporter Opportunities



Conference Dinner Sponsor at the Newcastle Civic Centre - Your company logo on the place cards, dinner board, space for you to position 4 roller banners (you to provide), an area for you to interact with delegates & 4 x Dinner Passes. (limited to one)	£3,500+vat
Delegate Lanyard - Your logo on the delegate lanyards with your logo and BESS (limited to one)	£2,500+vat
Push Notification to all delegates on the Conference App (limited number available)	£1,500+vat
Splash Screen on the App to all delegates as they open the App (limited to one)	£1,500+vat
Digital Advert on the Conference App	£1,000+vat

Exhibition Space



The images show the area where the exhibition stands will be positioned.

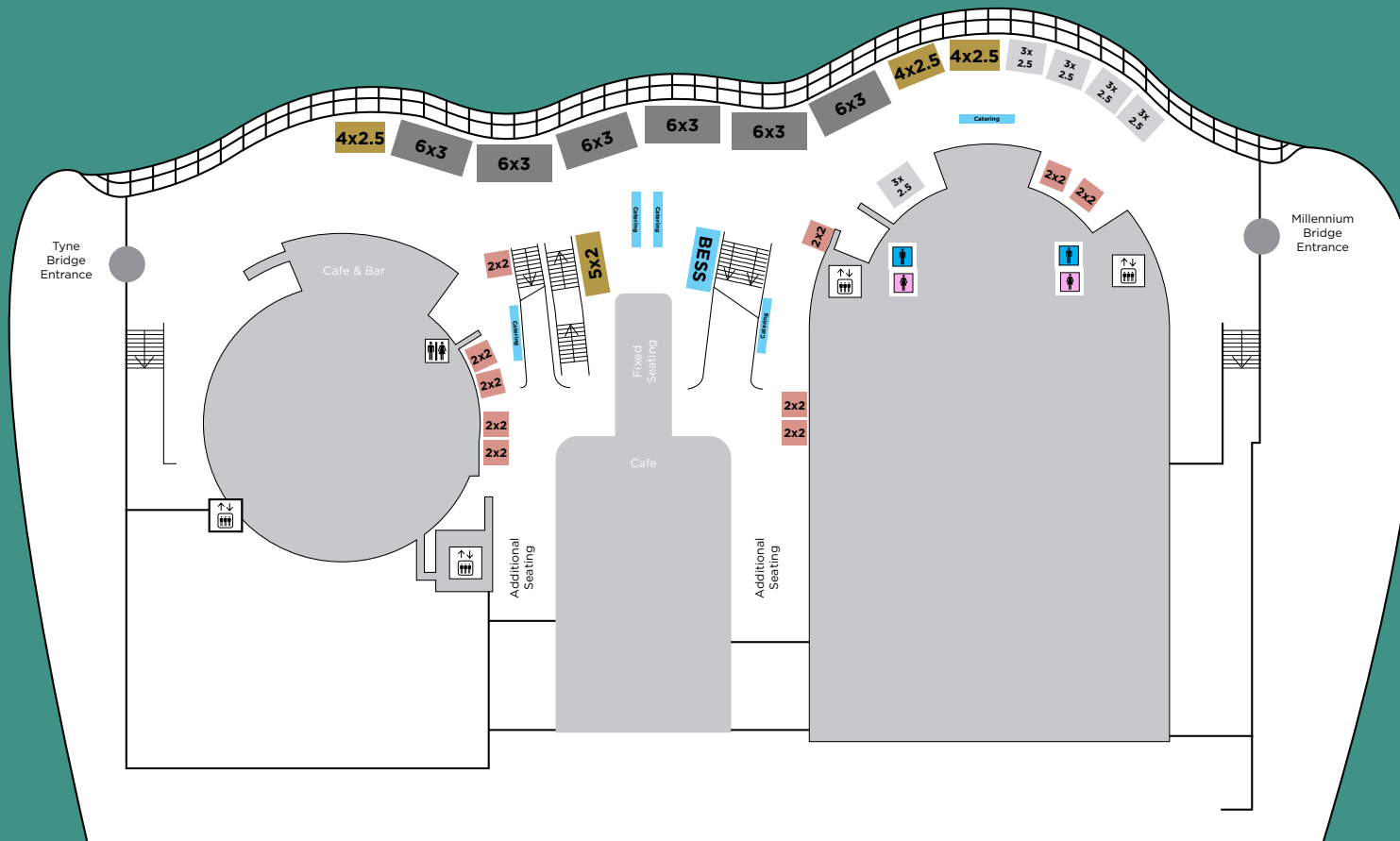


Please note:

For this year's conference, adjustments to the stand sizes were necessary due to the layout/shape of the exhibition space.

The ground floor of the Glass House is an open-plan space, designed with flexibility in mind to accommodate a wide range of exhibitions. Its unobstructed layout allows for versatile stand arrangements and creates a welcoming flow for attendees. To preserve this open, adaptable environment, shell schemes will not be offered.

Exhibition Space



BESS 2026 Exhibition and Supporter Bookings

All bookings are made via the website, in real time, which will allow you to choose your stand number at the time of agreement. The stand sizes are based on the supporter packages, Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze.

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Stands are booked on a first come first served basis on the portal.

Power and chairs (based on their package) are included on each stand.

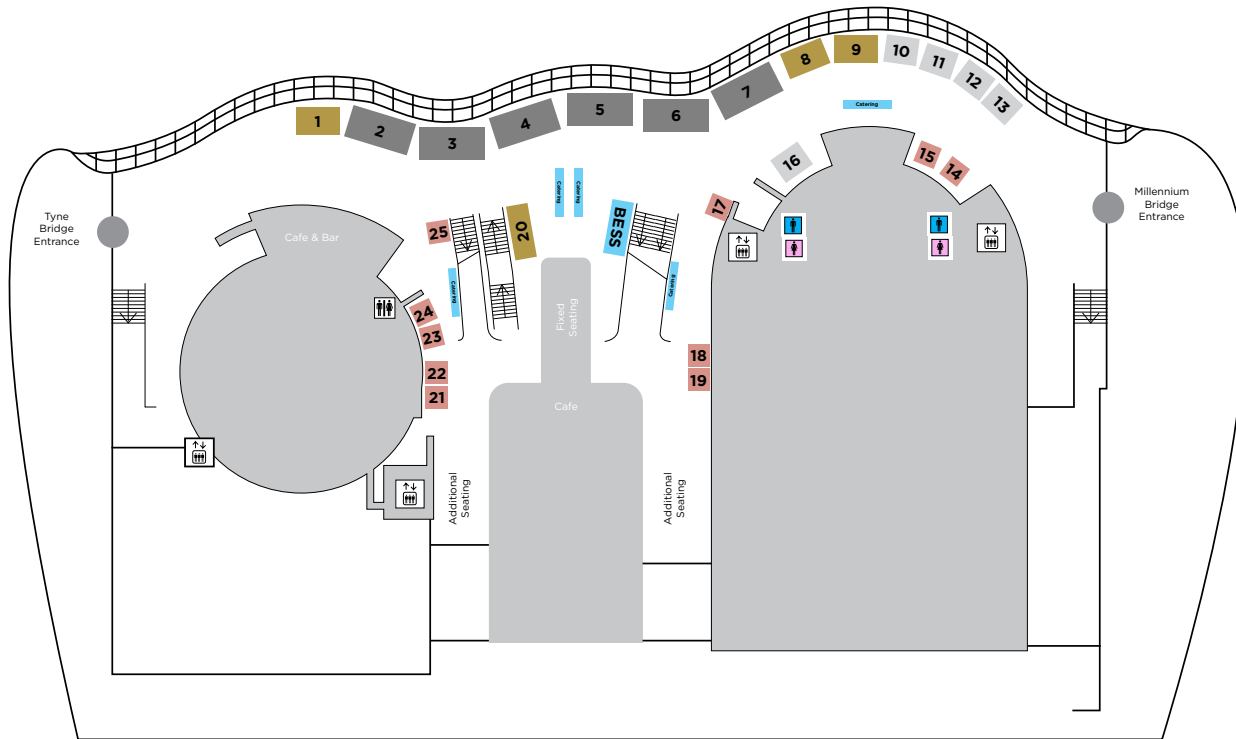
All packages include refreshments during the day.

Please do not publicise your stand number in pre-event marketing as they are subject to change.

Please note all exhibitors are subject to approval of the BESS Educational Committee who reserve the right to refuse.

This plan is subject to change by the organisers.

Exhibition Floor Plan and Costs



1	Gold, 4x2.5m	£14,000
2	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
3	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
4	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
5	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
6	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
7	Platinum, 6x3m	£19,500
8	Gold, 4x2.5m	£14,000
9	Gold, 4x2.5m	£14,000
10	Silver, 3x2.5m	£8,000
11	Silver, 3x2.5m	£8,000
12	Silver, 3x2.5m	£8,000
13	Silver, 3x2.5m	£8,000

14	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
15	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
16	Silver, 3x2.5m	£8,000
17	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
18	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
19	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
20	Gold, 5x2m	£14,000
21	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000
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25	Bronze, 2x2m	£4,000

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All rates are +vat @20%

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BESS Conference will take place from Wednesday 24 June starting with the Instructional Course, the Annual Scientific Meeting will run from Thursday 25 June through to Friday 26 June.

Catering will be located within the exhibition areas, to ensure maximum contact between exhibitors and delegates.

The Technical Manual will be sent to all exhibitors after booking, closer to the event. Any additional power requirements will be booked through a dedicated portal.

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Venue & Accommodation



The Glasshouse
St Mary's Square, Gateshead Quays,
Gateshead, NE8 2JR

The conference and exhibition will take place at The Glasshouse International Centre. Located along the vibrant waterfront, with breathtaking views of the River Tyne. Conveniently located just a 20-minute walk from Newcastle Central Station.

We are holding a number of hotel rooms at the Dakota Hotel which is the Event HQ. These can be booked via the portal.



Newcastle and Additional Industry Activities



The Glasshouse

Since opening in 2004, The Glasshouse has become a driving force for cultural and economic growth in the North East, inspiring millions through live music, education and community programmes.



Newcastle International to Newcastle by train is around 40 minutes



The best postcode to use is NE8 2BA, as that will bring you straight to the Glasshouse car park. For information on parking, including how much it costs, please [click here](#).



Newcastle Central - 20-minute walk away
Gateshead Metro Station - 10-minute walk away

Additional Industry Activities

We appreciate that many of you plan extra activities with the BESS delegates around the Conference. We encourage this engagement but would appreciate it if this could take place on Friday evening and/or Saturday morning for delegates to extend their stay. Alternatively, the Wednesday evening is also a free night for most delegates with the exception of those attending the Presidents Dinner.



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