



The British Dam Society

EVENING MEETING

Monday 17th November 2025 at 6:00pm

BDS PRIZES

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS PAPER COMPETITION



(BDS Prize 2023 winners with the BDS Chair Rachel Davies)

The BDS Photography Prizes will also be awarded on the night.

For a brief synopsis and list of presenters see overleaf

For more details, please visit the events page on the BDS website: www.britishdams.org
For more information please contact the ICE on 020 7665 2147 or email: bds@ice.org.uk



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PAPERS

Devon Bullock – Binnies *“Developing a Workbook to Apply Tier 2 RARS to EA Flood Detention Reservoirs”*

Amy Henderson – JBA *“Enhancing Dam Safety Through (RARS): A Framework for Modern Reservoir Risk Management”*

Anida Zeqirllari - Binnies *“Retrofitting Overflow Weirs to Safely Pass Extreme Floods at UK Reservoirs”*

Meher Rashid – Atkins Réalis *“Adapting the Tier 2 Reservoir Risk Assessment Approach for a Service Reservoir”*

John Campbell - Mott Macdonald *“Managing reservoir testing outflows from siphon drawdown enhancement schemes”*

BDS Prize Competition Final

Five papers have been selected from the entries to the BDS Prize Competition which is open to BDS members under 35 years of age. The submitted paper (2,500 words) is on a topic of dam engineering relating to the author's experience in reservoir research, design, construction, operation, maintenance, or supervision. Participants must be able to demonstrate that they have undertaken a significant role, relative to their level of experience, in the project or topic.

The five finalists will present their papers followed by questions from the audience. The judges will score their presentations, and these will be added to the scores they received for their papers. The winners, to be announced at the end of the meeting, will receive £500 for first place with second and third prizes of £200 and £100 respectively. The Winner will also have their paper published in the BDS Journal “Dams and Reservoirs”.

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BDS Photography Prize

The winners of the 2025 BDS Photography Competition will be announced on the night. The competition is run annually and open to members of the BDS and ICE as well as Engineering Students. Winners receive a cash prize (1st Prize £200; 2nd Prize £100; 3rd Prize £50) and photographs may feature on the British Dam Society Website and on the cover of the BDS Journal *Dams and Reservoirs*.

REGIONAL HUBS

WARRINGTON | LEEDS | GLASGOW

The Regional Hubs allow the live stream of BDS evening meetings in London to be enjoyed as part of a group elsewhere in the UK.

Refreshments are provided from 17:30 in conjunction with watching the live streaming of the evening meeting - anyone is welcome to attend!

We would be grateful if you could register your intention to attend with the relevant Regional Hub host - details below.

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