



John Herriman

Chief Executive at the Chartered Trading Standards Institute

Keynote Address

John has a background working across various sectors, ranging from commercial through to local government and from the Armed Forces to not-for-profit organisations. A career spanning 35 years has given him an incredible diversity of perspectives on how different sectors operate and how they can work together successfully.

Driven by a strong sense of social purpose, John is committed to and driven by the not-for-profit sector's mission. Values-driven leadership is what this sector represents, and it provides incredible benefits to society which sits absolutely at the heart of CTSI's work. He is also consciously aware of the value of strong professions using their expertise and experience to lead the discussions on key issues affecting society.

John is a Deputy Lieutenant of Greater London, supporting initiatives to bring communities closer together across the capital. Having studied extensively in business, education, engineering, psychology and law, he holds several professional memberships and fellowships. Additionally, he is undertaking research in ethical leadership at Exeter University as well as being proud to serve as a Naval reservist.

John lives in South East London with his family, and whilst thriving on the hustle and bustle of city life, there is nothing he enjoys more than escaping to the great outdoors to experience the freedom and fresh air of the countryside.



Tendy Lindsay

Trading Standards Consultant

Introduction

A trading standards consultant with over 25 years' experience practising consumer protection law. Tendy is Second Chair of the Chartered Trading Standards Institute Council (CTSI) and Chair of CTSI Race Equalities Working Group. She helps to provide strategic leadership promoting and protecting the success of a modern vibrant economy, safeguarding the health, safety and wellbeing of citizens by enhancing the professionalism of CTSI members.

Tendy has been working as a Policy Advisor at national and EU level with partners in local and central governments, with partners across private and not for profit sectors to lead innovation and change consumer protection and the regulatory policy landscape. She has also worked in the Caribbean as a government advisor sharing good practice with a focus on delivering excellent outcomes in regulation and compliance.

Tendy is a former member of the Food Standards Agency, Food Fraud Advisory Unit (FFAU) an advisory resource to support government, local authorities and industry to tackle food crime. Tendy is passionate about multi-agency working and recognise the importance of intelligence-led practice maximising resources.



Emmanuel Olatunji

Global Digital Transformation & Innovation Advisor

Facilitator

Emmanuel is a Global Digital Transformation & Innovation Advisor in the fields of Customer Relationship Management (CRM), Data Analytics & Artificial Intelligence, Cloud Adoption & Migration, Cloud Telecommunications, and Software Innovation & Business Process Automation. He has supported businesses, government agencies, charities, and educational institutions with their digital transformation strategies & deployments, change management rollouts, and training projects globally with an emphasis on maximising return on investment and ensuring a fit to their organisational-specific processes.

He is also the founder of Bluechess Technology which serves as a tech solutions provider & consultancy in partnership with Microsoft to support organisations of all sizes around the world with their software licensing & equipment procurement requirements including providing asset finance and lease purchase options, digital transformation strategies and implementation services, and also training the people within different departmental functions on how to use the technologies implemented within their organisation.

Emmanuel obtained a bachelor's degree in Electrical and Electronic Engineering from Coventry University along with a Certificate in Business and Management from Oxford University.



Sukh Gill

Director of Regulatory Affairs, Supplier Assurance & Quality

Speaker

Sukh is Director of Regulatory Affairs, Supplier Assurance & Quality at Holland and Barrett International serving on its Senior Leadership team.

He has more than two decades experience in similarly senior Regulatory roles:

- working with the Health Food Manufacturers Association;
- on Leatherhead Food Research's Executive supporting a who's who of the Global food industry with their international regulatory need;
- as Chief Regulatory Advisor to the multinational Müller Dairy Group and
- as Trading Standards Manager for Safeway Stores plc (now Morrison's plc).

Prior to this Sukh began his Regulatory career in Government enforcing technical regulations relating to UK and EU consumer protection and trading law ensuring that products were safe, compliant with compositional requirements and legally labelled and advertised.

Sukh is a Chartered Trading Standards practitioner and Fellow of the Institute of Food Science & Technology having been a pro-bono lecturer (2010-12) and author (2012) of professional Food Standards materials for training UK enforcement to legal levels of competency. He has also recently (2020- present) become a contributing author to the food law chapter of 'Consumer and Trading Standards Law and Practice' (the 'Pink Book') covering EU and post-EU exit UK food law – now writing for the tenth edition. He has been directly involved in the safety, compositional and technical requirements of numerous innovations during his career to date. All senior roles have involved management of significant resources to develop capability and capacity through diverse teams, processes and technology. Whether in the public or private sector, Sukh has always sought for constructive approaches to regulation and compliance.

In pursuit of this passion and through persuasion via centres of influence across government he conceived of and led, as inaugural Chair in 2012, BEIS's Business Expert Group on Food Standards and Labelling, (further Expert Groups have followed this collaborative model).



Alan Lacey

Regulatory Compliance Expert

Speaker

Alan is a Director and Vice Chair of the Society of Food Hygiene and Technology. He was Head of Regulatory Affairs at Sainsburys and Compliance Manager at ASDA and now runs his own consultancy business. He started his career as an Environmental Health Officer in local government and also had advisory roles to the NHS and lectured in food law. Alan has participated in working parties with BEIS and the Food Standards Agency and has spoken at many national and international conferences including the Caribbean Food Symposium and the Australian Food Science Conference.



Yvonne Rees

Chief Executive at Oxfordshire County Council

Speaker