

Responsible sourcing and green procurement

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This presentation will give a first-hand appreciation of Responsible Sourcing in the UK asphalt sector and draw upon organisation challenges and benefits to becoming certified. The presentation will also give an insight into how responsible sourcing is being integrated into procurement specifications and quite importantly into the supply chain. A forward look towards emerging EU standards and the potential impact on the sector will be shared.



Shamir graduated from Loughborough University (UK) in 2003 with a degree in Chemical Engineering and is currently undertaking an Engineering Doctorate at Loughborough University on the Sustainability Assessment of Ready-mixed Concrete (due for completion mid 2012); the outputs of which have been published in international conferences and leading UK journals.

At Aggregate Industries, Shamir has held a number of operational and commercial roles within Aggregate Industries and is currently Head of Sustainability. He takes an active role in the industry and is a member of various committees within the Mineral Products Association, the UKGBC and the Construction Products Association.

Shamir was also a committee member for the recently launched BS 8905 standard for the sustainable use of materials. Shamir has a keen interest in Life Cycle Assessment and believes that the digital era of product footprinting and information will help to deliver a more sustainable built environment.