

ALFED Events Programme

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I am delighted to welcome you to the 2026 ALFED Events Programme.

Our events continue to thrive because of the strength, commitment and collaboration of our members and wider industry partners. Your engagement, insight and willingness to share expertise are what truly bring ALFED events to life, turning each gathering into a valuable opportunity for connection, learning and progress across the aluminium sector.

In 2026, our events programme has been carefully designed to offer a balanced mix of formal and informal settings. This approach gives delegates the chance to network effectively with industry peers, build meaningful relationships and exchange ideas, while also gaining the policy and advocacy knowledge that is helping to drive the UK aluminium sector forward. Whether through structured conferences, roundtables or more relaxed networking opportunities, our aim is to ensure every event delivers practical value and a strong sense of community.

We are also pleased to introduce new and improved sponsorship packages across each event in the programme. These have been developed to provide members with increased visibility and engagement opportunities across the full breadth of ALFED events, helping to showcase your organisation and reinforce your presence within the industry.

I look forward to welcoming you to our 2026 events and to another year of collaboration, insight and shared success.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact our Sponsorship Manager at sponsorship@alfed.org.uk or our Marketing & Communications Executive, Emily Foster, at eFoster@alfed.org.uk.

Best Regards,

Nadine Bloxsome
Chief Executive Officer, ALFED

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ALFED-LED EVENTS FOR 2026

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ALFED MEMBERS' DAY

- **Date:** 30th April 2026
- **Location:** Bragborough Hall Business Centre, Daventry, NN11 7JG
- **FREE** for ALFED Members

ALFED Members' Day is a new annual event launching in 2026, created to bring the UK aluminium community together in a more informal, accessible and collaborative setting. Hosted at ALFED HQ in Northampton, the day has been designed in direct response to member feedback and focuses on meaningful conversation, practical insight and relationship-building rather than formal presentations or sales-led content. Members are welcome to attend for the full day or drop in around other commitments, making it easy to engage in a way that suits individual schedules.

The programme will feature facilitated roundtable discussions on key sector issues, short spotlight sessions showcasing member insight and case studies, and plenty of time for informal networking throughout the day. The ALFED Members' Day is intended to strengthen connections across the aluminium value chain, increase member visibility, and create space for open discussion that feeds directly into ALFED's advocacy, policy and sector development work. This first Members' Day marks the launch of a new platform that will grow year-on-year, shaped by the needs and priorities of ALFED members.

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INNOVAL TECHNOLOGY OPEN DAY

- **Date:** 19th May 2026
- **Time:** 10 AM - 2 PM
- **Location:** Innoval Technology, Selden Way, Rotherham, S60 5AA

The day begins with a welcome session and industry briefing, highlighting key trends shaping the aluminium sector, from recycling and decarbonisation to applications in automotive and aerospace. Attendees will then take part in guided lab tours and live technical demonstrations, offering a behind-the-scenes look at Innoval's capabilities in metallurgy, material characterisation, and process modelling.

A dedicated sustainability and lifecycle analysis (LCA) showcase will provide real-world examples of carbon footprint reduction, scrap optimisation, and energy efficiency strategies. Visitors will also have the chance to book one-to-one sessions with Innoval's specialists, enabling deeper technical discussions tailored to individual business needs. The event concludes with networking over lunch, providing further opportunity to build connections across the industry.

This is a must-attend event for anyone looking to stay ahead in aluminium innovation, strengthen partnerships, and explore practical solutions to today's manufacturing and sustainability challenges.

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HOUSE OF LORDS LUNCH

- **Date:** Tuesday 2nd June 2026
- **Location:** House of Lords, Westminster, London
- **Time:** 12.15pm - 5.00pm

Delivering Domestic Demand, Trade Resilience and Industrial Capability

The lunch forms part of ALFED's ongoing work through the UK Aluminium Alliance, which is focused on strengthening UK aluminium demand, improving scrap retention and utilisation, and building greater resilience across domestic and international trade relationships to support a secure, circular supply chain.

As the UK looks to deliver major defence, infrastructure, construction and net zero ambitions, aluminium has a critical role to play. This event will explore how trade policy, procurement frameworks and infrastructure delivery can be better aligned to support British-made and British-recycled aluminium, reduce exposure to global volatility, and unlock long-term investment and growth across the value chain.

Extended format for 2026

This year, we will be extending the timings of the House of Lords lunch to allow for:

- More in-depth discussion and debate
- Greater opportunity for member-to-member and member-to-policy-maker networking
- Contributions from a broader range of policy figures and stakeholders

Discussion will focus on:

- Growing domestic demand for aluminium across UK infrastructure and construction
- Strengthening trade resilience and reducing exposure to supply chain disruption
- The role of the UK Aluminium Alliance in demand creation, scrap utilisation and circularity
- Aligning trade policy, procurement and investment to strengthen UK industrial capability
- Supporting UK production and recycling within large-scale public and private projects
- Improving supply chain resilience while supporting decarbonisation objectives



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ALUMINIUM LIGHT TRAINING

- **Date:** 8th September 2026
- **Location:** Bragborough Hall Business Centre, Daventry, NN11 7JG
- **Time:** 9.30am - 1.30pm
- **FREE** for ALFED Members

The Aluminium Light course provides a clear and accessible introduction to the UK aluminium industry. It offers attendees an understanding of how aluminium is produced and processed, while showcasing the wide range of products and applications in which aluminium is used.

Key Topics Covered

- Introduction to the Aluminium Industry
- Primary and Secondary Aluminium
- Processing of Aluminium
- Quality and Defects in Aluminium

There will also be future Aluminium Light course dates coming in Q3/Q4 of 2026. Stay tuned for more details and confirmed dates!

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ANNUAL BUSINESS BRIEFING & ANNUAL DINNER

- **Date:** 24th September 2026
- **Location:** Crowne Plaza Hotel, Stratford-Upon-Avon
- **Business Briefing Timing:** 10.00am – 4.30pm
- **Annual Dinner Timing:** 6.00pm until late

The Annual ALFED Business Briefing is the must-attend event for industry professionals looking to gain valuable insights, connect with peers, and stay ahead in the rapidly evolving aluminium sector.

This full-day event provides the perfect platform to:

- Engage with ALFED members and industry representatives
- Hear expert perspectives on market updates, transformation, innovation, strategy, and sustainability
- Network with peers during coffee breaks and a dedicated networking lunch

The exclusive black-tie dinner is more than just a dinner; it's one of the premier networking and social occasions in the aluminium industry calendar. Join fellow leaders, innovators, and visionaries from across the sector for an evening of fine dining, inspiring conversation, and celebration of the achievements that continue to shape the aluminium industry.

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At Jonas Metals, we make it a priority to attend the ALFED Annual Dinner each year - and for good reason. This event consistently brings together the best and brightest from across the aluminium industry, offering a unique opportunity to connect with peers, celebrate achievements, and stay aligned with the direction of this sector. The evening is always impeccably organised, with a welcoming atmosphere that fosters both professional networking and genuine camaraderie.

Scott Taylor
Jonas Metal Software (JMS)

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2026 ALFED BOARD & SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

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2026 ALFED HSE SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED HSE Support Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 18th March 2026
- 24th June 2026 @ 1pm (In-Person | Bragborough Hall)
- Meeting Date - TBC
- Meeting Date - TBC

To confirm your attendance for the HSE Support Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at alfed@alfed.org.uk.

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2026 ALFED EXTRUSION SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Extrusion Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 17th March 2026 @ 9.30am - 1pm (In-person at BOAL Extrusion UK)
- 20th May @ 10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 9th September @ 10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 24th November @ 10am - 12.30pm (Bragborough Hall with networking lunch)

To confirm your attendance for the Extrusion Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at alfed@alfed.org.uk.

** Please note - Meeting dates may be subject to change.*

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2026 ALFED FINISHING SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Finishing Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 19th March 2026 (In-person at The Arden Hotel, Birmingham)
- Date TBC (18th June OR 2nd July)
- 24th November 2026 @1.30pm - 4pm (Bragborough Hall) with networking lunch prior to meeting)

To confirm your attendance for the Finishing Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at alfed@alfed.org.uk.

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2026 ALFED RECYCLING SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Recycling Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 10th March 2026 @1.30pm - 3.30pm (Bragborough Hall)
- 21st May 2026 @10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 24th June 2026 @ 10am - 11.30am (Bragborough Hall with networking lunch from 12.30pm)
- 26th November 2026 @10am - 12.30pm (Bragborough Hall with networking lunch from 12.30pm)

To confirm your attendance for the Recycling Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at alfede@alfed.org.uk.

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2026 ALFED DISTRIBUTION SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Distribution Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 24th - 25th March 2026 (Hosted at Peel Ports Group - Dinner held on the 24th, with the meeting following on the 25th)
- 26th November 2026 @ 1.30pm - 4pm (Bragborough Hall with networking lunch at 12.30pm)

To confirm your attendance for the Finishing Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at alfed@alfed.org.uk.

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2026 ALFED BOARD MEETINGS

** Participation in ALFED Board Meetings is reserved for ALFED Board Members ONLY.*

The 2026 ALFED Board Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 10th March 2026 (In-person at Bragborough Hall)
- 9th June 2026 (Online)
- 25th September 2026 (In-Person at Crowne Plaza, Stratford-Upon-Avon)
- 8th December 2026

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EXTERNAL INDUSTRY EVENTS FOR 2026

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27 – 29 April 2026
Arena Riyadh

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As the Saudi extension of ALUMINIUM Düsseldorf, ALUMINIUM ARABIA is set to take place in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, from 27-29 April 2026. As a member of the ALUMINIUM global portfolio of events, ALUMINIUM ARABIA is poised to be Saudi Arabia's flagship platform for downstream aluminium development, empowering the growth and competitiveness of the Kingdom's aluminium industry. The event unites global leaders with local manufacturers and investors, accelerating localisation and industrial diversification. It serves as a catalyst for the Kingdom's Vision 2030 by driving innovation, fostering partnerships, and advancing high-value industrial development.

For exhibitor enquiries, please contact: carlotta.ferretti@rxglobal.com

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World Aluminium Summit

London, UK // 12 - 14 May 2026

Join the conversations that matter at this strategic annual meeting for the global aluminium value chain. The 31st CRU World Aluminium Summit returns to London from 12-14 May 2026, co-hosted by the International Aluminium Institute (IAI) and the Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI).

As the industry continues to evolve, this flagship event remains a vital platform for collaboration, knowledge-sharing and strategic direction-setting. ALFED is proud to be an association partner of this landmark aluminium industry event, supporting the conversations that will shape the future of aluminium worldwide.

ALFED members are eligible for a 10% discount off the registration fee. To secure your place, please use the following link and use the code **ALFEDIO** at the checkout:

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MACHINEBUILDING.NORTH 2026

MachineBuilding.North 2026 is Northern England's only event for machine builders, systems integrators and industrial automation specialists looking to turn ideas into real-world solutions.

Taking place on Wednesday 13 May 2026 at the Concorde Conference Centre in Manchester, the event brings together 140 leading suppliers from across industrial automation and machine building - with the exhibition floor already sold out. This critical mass of specialists gives visitors a unique opportunity to evaluate technologies, compare solutions side-by-side, and speak directly with experts who can help move projects forward.

Across the exhibition floor you'll find solutions spanning machine safety, motion and drives, sensors and instrumentation, industrial networking, robotics, control systems and more - all focused on helping manufacturers build safer, smarter and more efficient machines.

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MachineBuilding.NORTH

Wednesday 13th May 2026
Concorde Conference Centre, Manchester

**Unlock Innovation at the North's Leading
Machine Building and Industrial
Automation Event**



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WELDING, JOINING & MANUFACTURING EXHIBITION 2026

The Welding, Joining and Manufacturing Conference and Exhibition (#WeldJoinExpo26) is a flagship event for welding, joining and allied technologies in the UK. Created by TWI / The Welding Institute, this event is taking place at TWI Cambridge on 7 July, 2026.

TWI / The Welding Institute has over 100 years of industry experience and heritage. We have been responsible for innovations and technical breakthroughs in welding, joining and manufacturing technologies in our history, such as the invention of friction stir welding and the first-ever autonomous weld performed in space.

As the premier event for welding, joining and allied technologies in the UK, WeldJoinExpo26 will bring together experts and professionals from across industry for keynote speeches, presentations, and industry-specific workshops, including valued input from bodies including Make UK and Make UK Defence, the Aerospace Technology Institute (ATI), the Royal Academy of Engineering, the Engineering Council, JCB, and the Nuclear Industry Association (NIA).

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WELDJOINEXPO26
7 JULY 2026

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Don't miss the biggest welding and joining event of the year, register now.





2026 WOMEN WITH METAL CONFERENCE



Join women and allies in the Metals, Manufacturing and Engineering Sectors for the fourth Women with Metal Conference.

Meet at The Eastside Rooms, Birmingham UK, for a day filled with inspiring talks, workshops, and networking opportunities. This event is all about celebrating and empowering women and allies in the metal, manufacturing and engineering sectors. Hosted by our CEO and Founder Kirsty Davies-Chinnock we are delighted to be bring our fourth conference to you.

Get ready to hear from industry leaders, learn from our professional speakers and connect with like-minded individuals who share your passion for the exciting sector we work in. Whether you're a seasoned professional or just starting out we aim to increase your Confidence, Knowledge and Connections.

Come be a part of this exciting event and help Women with Metal build a stronger, more inclusive community of women in metal. We can't wait to see you there!

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17th September 2026
The Eastside Rooms, Birmingham



UK METALS EXPO 2026

The leading event that brings the entire metals supply chain together with the worlds of engineering, manufacturing & construction.

From primary metal manufacturing to supply chain management, design, policy, metal processing, metalworking, fabrication, CNC machinery, surface finishing, and recycling.

Run in conjunction with the Advanced Engineering Show, UK Metals Expo is a free to attend annual event that aims to:

- Foster relationships and maximise opportunities across the metals supply chains.
- Advance education, share best practices, and drive innovation in the industry.
- Position the metals industry in the circular economy.
- Showcase top solutions across the supply chain.

ALFED Members are eligible for a 20% discount off your stand space for the show. Please be sure to mention this when booking in your stand with the UK Metals Expo Team.

UK EXPO
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4th & 5th November 2026
Hall 4, NEC Birmingham



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INNOVAL TRAINING COURSES



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Aluminium Structure & Surface Essential inc. Workshops
9th - 11th June 2026
3 days | Rotherham, UK
In-person

Aluminium Structure & Surface Essentials (Inc. Workshops)

9th - 11th June

x3 Days | In-Person |
Rotherham, UK

Innoval Technology's Aluminium Structure & Surface Essentials inc. workshops course is an in-person training programme designed for technical professionals in the aluminium industry who want a practical, integrated understanding of both metallurgical and surface phenomena that affect product quality and process performance.

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Aluminium Rolling Technology Course
19th - 23rd October 2026
5 days | Rotherham, UK
In-person

Aluminium Rolling Technology Course

19th - 23rd October

x5 Days | In-Person |
Rotherham, UK

Elevate your technical expertise with Innoval Technology's Aluminium Rolling Training Course, an intensive in-person training programme tailored for engineers, technical managers and professionals working with aluminium rolling processes. This specialised course delivers a deep, practical understanding of the mechanics, metallurgy and optimisation of hot and cold rolling of aluminium flat products.

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Introduction to Aluminium Surfaces & Treatments
2nd - 3rd December 2026
2 x Half-Days | 9.00am start
Online

Introduction to Aluminium Surfaces & Treatments

2nd - 3rd December

x2 Half-Days |
9am Start | Online




Discover the fundamentals of aluminium surfaces and treatments in this highly practical online training course from Innoval Technology. Designed for materials engineers, surface specialists, quality assurance personnel and technicians, this course unpacks how aluminium surfaces are generated and transformed during processing and coating operations – helping you diagnose issues and improve product quality with confidence.

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