



BRITISH TUNNELLING SOCIETY

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At The

**INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS
ONE GREAT GEORGE STREET, WESTMINSTER, LONDON SW1P 3AA**

CROSSRAIL – PROJECT UPDATE

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Following the final go-ahead of the Comprehensive Spending Review in October 2010, Crossrail has proceeded into construction at an impressive pace with all tunnelling contracts having been placed by the Spring of 2011. Most of the TBM's have been ordered, site clearance and portal construction is well under way and the multinational joint ventures are mobilising to site.

An extensive "Optimised Contractor Involvement" (OCI) programme has been a feature of the mobilisation period for each contract and this has yielded some substantial cost savings right up front, the benefits of which are shared between client and contractor. Crossrail have implemented a rigorous "Readiness to Dig" gateway process to ensure that each team is properly planned, competent and safe to start works.

The presentation will explain the activities that have lead to this point as the extended Crossrail team stands poised to embark upon what is the most extensive underground construction project in the capital in over a generation.

Tea and biscuits will be available at 5:30pm

Advance booking not required

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