

# The Rubber Trade Association of Europe

## Annual Dinner New College, Oxford Friday, 10th April 2026

**J**oin Members of the Rubber Trade Association of Europe at the Annual Dinner to be held on Friday, 10th April 2026 at [New College](#) in the [University of Oxford](#), England. Everyone with any involvement or connection with the rubber trade - agents, customers, dealers, insurers, producers, shipping lines, transporters, wharfingers - is warmly welcome.

*A Panorama of the University of Oxford*



Oxford and its many colleges are best [explored on foot](#). The Bodleian is the main library. The [Ashmolean Museum](#) is the University collection of art and archaeology. The [Pitt Rivers Museum](#) is an anthropological collection adjacent to the [Natural History Museum](#).

[Punting on the River Cherwell](#) provides fluvial diversion. There are many pubs, traditionally distinguished as 'town or gown' (for ordinary townsfolk or university students) among which are The Turf, The White Horse, The Bear Inn and the Lamb & Flag.

**T**he rubber trade is undergoing profound change from challenging trading conditions and new environmental expectations and regulations.

New ideas and methods can be explored and old ones recalled **in person** in a location, Oxford University, where both have been advanced for centuries.

During the afternoon of Friday, 10th April 2026, a free seminar will explore the latest compliance developments for **sustainable rubber** with the EU Deforestation Regulation (EUDR) and GPSNR Assurance as they affect the rubber and latex trade - as well as any other pressing issues.



*New College, Oxford*

## *Main Dining Hall, New College*



The rubber trade has long understood that trust develops from personal interaction and relationship aided by hospitable surroundings.

An evening reception will be followed by a three course dinner and conclude with a cash bar open to the small hours. On site overnight college accommodation with breakfast is included in the standard ticket price.

All overnight rooms include a fridge, tea/coffee making facilities, towels, wi-fi and a complimentary toiletry pack.

Some rooms will be available for any who may wish to stay overnight on Thursday, 9th April 2026. A few rooms will be available for Saturday, 11th April 2026 for any who wish to stay the weekend.

There is also plenty of good hotel accommodation in Oxford in easy walking distance of any college for those who might prefer it. E.g. [The Randolph](#), [Old Bank Hotel](#), [The Courtyard](#), [EasyHotel](#).

## *Typical Accommodation, New College*

### **Transport to Oxford**

*from Central London*

[Frequent trains from Paddington](#) mainline station.

[Frequent Oxford Tube coach](#) from Victoria coach station.

*from London Heathrow Airport*  
[Buses from terminals 2,3 and 5](#)

[Prebookable taxis.](#)



### ***DINNER AND ACCOMMODATION***

Options available are:

Dinner for one person with standard single overnight accommodation.

Extra single overnight accommodation on the preceding Thursday 9th or following Saturday 11th.

Dinner for one person without overnight College accommodation.

Apply to the Secretary-General,

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## ORDER OF EVENTS

### ***Thursday, 9th April 2026***

Overnight accommodation for those who have pre-booked through RTAE

### ***Friday, 10th April 2026***

08.00 - 09.00: Breakfast available in the Hall for overnight guests.

From 14.00 - 16.30: EUDR Seminar in the McGregor Matthews Room

17.00 – 18.00: RTAE Committee Meeting in the Conduit Room.



### ***The Cloisters***

18.30 - 19.15: Sparkling wine reception with canapes in the Cloisters or Founder's Library if weather inclement.

19.15: Dinner called.

19.30: Dinner served in the Hall.

From conclusion of Dinner - 01.00: Beer cellar open with card payment only.

Overnight accommodation for those who have pre-booked through RTAE.

### ***Saturday, 11th April 2026***

08.00 - 09.00: Breakfast in the Hall for overnight guests.

Check out by 10.00. (Unless pre-booked for a further night.)