

## **Accompanying Persons**

Accompanying persons are welcome to the reception party on Wednesday August 24<sup>th</sup> and the banquet dinner on Thursday August 25<sup>th</sup> 2016. While delegates attend the conference, there is plenty to see in Newcastle and the North East of England.

## **Newcastle upon Tyne and the North East of England**

The city of Newcastle upon Tyne offers a wealth of entertainment and activities, from galleries and museums to theatres and music venues, restaurants and bars, all within walking distance of each other. For more information, visit [www.newcastlegateshead.com](http://www.newcastlegateshead.com) .

Within 20 miles of Newcastle upon Tyne, your guests can enjoy beautiful countryside from the [North Pennines](#) to Teesdale and Weardale, and romantic castles like nearby [Raby Castle](#). The scenic Northumberland coast and the rich heritage of [Hadrian's Wall](#) (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) are less than an hour's drive away. The award-winning [Beamish Museum](#) tells the story of life in North East England in the 1820s, 1900s and 1940s, and the iconic [Bowes Museum](#) in Barnard Castle houses internationally renowned collections of European fine and decorative arts spanning five centuries. The historic City of Durham is 10 minutes away by train and Conference guests may wish to take a tour to [Durham Cathedral](#), the finest example of Norman architecture in the world. If that's not enough, the historic city of York is only an hour away on the train, or you could visit Scotland's capital, Edinburgh- only a 90 minute train ride away.