

Chiara Ronchini

Biography

Chiara obtained her Master of Architecture from the University of Ferrara, Italy, in 2009, specialising in urban planning and the sustainable management of historic centres. She also studied in the Netherlands, Finland and Czech Republic. Chiara has been a Chartered British Architect since 2014.

As Policy Manager at Historic Environment Scotland, Chiara plays a key role in delivering a successful strategy and policy development function within the organisation. She's leading on the development and implementation of Futures Thinking and Service Design approaches to policy development in a variety of thematic areas, such as Climate Change, Sustainable Tourism, Inclusive Growth, Culture, Innovation and Communities. Her recent work has focused on improving existing and developing new strategy and policy frameworks, especially around emergency responses.

Chiara has worked for Historic Environment Scotland since 2014, when she started as Project Manager for Scotland's Urban Past – a nationwide community engagement programme about the heritage of Scotland's towns and cities. She also worked as a project manager with Edinburgh World Heritage for over five years and as a consultant on sustainable heritage management for UNESCO in Uzbekistan, Egypt, Croatia and Italy.

Chiara's life passions are people and heritage. Chiara is currently a member of the ICOMOS –International Scientific Committee on Energy and Sustainability and sits on the Responsible Tourism Institute Scientific Council, an international advisory body concerning tourism sustainability, social responsibility and other key fields of sustainable development.