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Biography

John Doherty was elected the 100th President of the Scottish and Northern Ireland Plumbing Employers Federation (SNIPEF) in May 2024. He previously served as President of the Glasgow & West of Scotland Plumbing Employers' Association, sitting on the SNIPEF Board of Directors as their representative.

Born in Dumbarton and raised in Clydebank, John completed his education at Clydebank College, Cardonald College, and Glasgow College of Building and Printing. He is qualified as a Master Plumber through the Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating Engineering (CIPHE), certified as a Gas Technician by the Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers (IGEM), and registered as an Engineering Technician (EngTech) with the Engineering Council.

In 1999, John founded John Doherty & Co Ltd, which has been operating from Old Kilpatrick since 2009. The company provides a comprehensive range of building services, including plumbing, heating engineering, and complete turnkey solutions like electrical and interior finishing. Celebrating 25 years of operation in 2024, the company employs 19 full-time employees and has trained 14 apprentices across various trades over the years.

The company is a registered Trusted Trader in West Dunbartonshire and holds ISO-9001, ISO-14001, and ISO-45001 certifications. It has established long-term relationships with notable clients such as Scottish Water, North View Housing Association, and Hampden Park Stadium.

As President, John is committed to assisting plumbing businesses in improving their operational efficiency and financial stability, particularly through advocating for better payment practices and legislative support for small to medium-sized enterprises. He also supports apprenticeship programmes to address the shortage of skilled plumbing and heating professionals in the UK.

John will actively campaign for the responsible use of water resources and for adopting smart heating controls to enhance energy efficiency. These efforts are part of his commitment to environmental sustainability, aligning with national efforts to transition Scotland and Northern Ireland towards a more sustainable, low-carbon economy.

John will guide SNIPEF through the second year of its 2023-25 strategy, focusing on professional development, industry compliance, membership growth, and commercial



development. Under his leadership, the strategy will aim to enhance the skills and competencies of plumbing and heating professionals and to increase public awareness of the benefits and security of using a SNIPEF member.

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