

Westminster Forum Projects

Newsletter, Summer 2011



Welcome...

... to our Summer newsletter. As the Coalition Government's legislative programme moves into its second year, with further major policy initiatives announced across the areas the Forums focus on - and an increased emphasis on listening to the views of stakeholders as policy is reviewed, amended and refined - we are planning programmes of events to reflect the important changes taking place, which we hope you will continue to find relevant, timely and productive.

Our impartially-structured events are planned in consultation with policymakers, stakeholders and respected commentators. The aim is to ensure that seminars focus on the key issues in play, providing a valuable opportunity for those deciding or implementing policy to constructively engage with interested parties: to learn, to share thinking, to influence decision-making for the better.

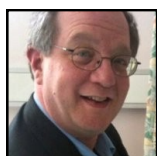
This extensive consultation has also prompted us to broaden our programme of events into new policy areas. Our contacts in Parliament, government and more widely have pointed out to us that the growing number of issues relating to commercial organisations - which are often referred to in our events - would benefit from their own focus for discussion.

So I am delighted to announce the launch of a new forum, the Westminster Business Forum (WBF), focusing on issues and policy of particular interest to those involved in the business and finance community as well as the wider commercial world.

I also wanted you to know about the launch of a new service for organisations wishing to hold discussions, receptions and other events focusing on their priorities in public policy: Westminster Policy Conferences, which will draw on our sector-leading in-house organisational experience, contacts and other assets to produce events for third parties.

In this newsletter you will find our latest seminar programme in full, along with a reminder of how you and your organisation can benefit from involvement with Forum events.

We look forward to seeing you soon.



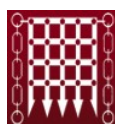
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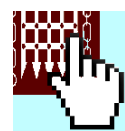
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New Forum
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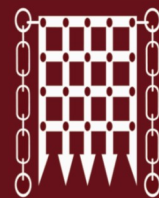


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Westminster Forum Projects New developments



Westminster Business Forum



Westminster Forum Projects has introduced a new forum which will offer opportunities for timely discussion on public policy and financial issues that affect commercial organisations and those that regulate and work in them. A list of planned events can be found [here](#).

The Westminster Business Forum (WBF) aims to provide the premier environment for senior representatives from business sectors, their backers and advisors to engage with policymakers in Parliament, Whitehall and government agencies, alongside consumer and citizens' groups, the voluntary sector and commentators.

As with all our Forums, the Westminster Business Forum puts great emphasis on being inclusive, and we welcome stakeholder involvement in all events. If you have an interest in one of our events and would like to get involved, or if you feel that there is something that our programme is missing, we would be delighted to hear from you.

In planning its programme of events, the Forum regularly consults business leaders, senior departmental officials, Parliamentarians, academics and others. We welcome input from any individuals or organisations with an interest in issues relating to business. If you would like to discuss how the Forum and your organisation might work together, either on a single issue or as part of a more long-term strategic relationship, please get in touch. For speaking opportunities please contact [Sean Cudmore](#). For sponsorship opportunities please contact [James Hughes](#).

The Forum is completely impartial and has no policy agenda of its own. Whilst we are grateful for the support and advice on themes that we receive from sponsors, all editorial decisions remain with the Forum in order to maintain impartiality.

Westminster Policy Conferences



Westminster Policy Conferences

Westminster Policy Conferences has been set up to utilise the company's sector-leading organisational skills, contacts and other assets to produce conferences, receptions and other events for third parties.

These are offered to the exacting standards the company's own events demand, and to carefully controlled costing. WPC has already conducted successful events for academic bodies, broadcasting companies, a major education publisher, an All-Party Parliamentary Group and a Central Government Department.

All seminars are produced to the organisational and content standards expected by the most senior figures in public policy but still designed to be welcoming to all sections of society that are affected by the issues discussed.

The company has also built up a constantly refreshed proprietary database of more than 160,000 individuals and organisations who take an active interest across areas of public policy and business - including policymakers in the UK and EU.

For more information about how Westminster Policy Conferences could help your organisation please [contact us](#).

Westminster Forum Projects Publications



Ordering Publications

Following each seminar, a briefing document is produced. Primarily in the form of transcripts, these publications cover the entire spoken content of the event, plus additional articles from delegates, event information and a full delegate list.

Forum publications are designed to be of use to policymakers in Westminster, Whitehall and Brussels, and as such, complimentary copies are offered to all Parliamentarians and officials who take an interest in the subject matter but could not be there on the day. Delegates at the event receive complimentary copies, and they are also made available for sale more widely.

Publications are produced one week after the event, and are distributed in electronic 'pdf' format.

Copies of our back catalogue, including special offers, are available at our events, and can be found on our [website](#). A sample of our publications can be viewed [here](#).

Each publication includes:

- All speeches from the day, with accompanying slides and speaker biographies (subject to approval by speaker);
- Transcripts of question and comment sessions;
- Supplementary articles from speakers and delegates; and
- Event information such as the delegate list and final agenda.




Contributing to Publications

Delegates are invited to contribute to the briefing document for events, in the form of a short article, any thoughts that they did not have the opportunity to put across on the day.

The content of the article can be as they wish but should normally focus on issues, not their organisation's achievements or activities. The suggested word limit for the article is 600 words.

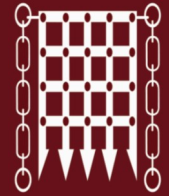
Articles are accompanied by a short biography of the author.

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Getting involved



Attending

Forum seminars attract a senior and important group of policymakers and stakeholders. They are frequently the platform for major policy statements from Government and regulators, Opposition spokespersons and leading opinion-formers in industry and interest groups. Our seminars are a great opportunity to hear the latest thinking, to contribute to the policy debate, and to make and renew contacts - earning CPD points in the process.

Speaking

Our impartial policy seminars rely on a broad base of speakers from Parliament, Government and the independent sector. If you or a colleague would like to be considered as a speaker or chair at one of our seminars, please contact speakeroffers@westminsterforumprojects.co.uk.

Event Sponsorship

Event sponsors enjoy a range of benefits in exchange for their support of our impartial, policy-orientated events. If your organisation would like to work with us on an event we would be happy to discuss possible collaboration.

A selection of current and past event sponsors includes:



Core Sponsorship

If your organisation would like to look at the possibility of more strategic involvement with a Forum over a longer period, we would be happy to discuss collaboration in more depth.

Core sponsors of the Westminster eForum:



Core sponsors of the Westminster Media Forum:



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16 June 2011	HealthWatch and creating a patient-centred NHS Westminster Health Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
21 June 2011	The future of the teaching workforce Westminster Education Forum/Westminster Employment Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
22 June 2011	Public Service Broadcasting and Content Westminster Media Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
23 June 2011	The Green Investment Bank Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
28 June 2011	The review of the primary National Curriculum and reforming the Early Years Foundation Stage: the view from the DfE Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
30 June 2011	Biodiversity - engaging business, engaging policymakers across Government Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum/Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
30 June 2011	Next steps for GCSEs and the English Baccalaureate Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
5 July 2011	Accountability in education - the future for governance, Ofsted and league tables Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
5 July 2011	Dentistry - towards a new contract and the future of regulation Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
6 July 2011	Dear Jeremy... - industry priorities for the new Communications Bill Westminster Media Forum/Westminster eForum	<u>Find out more</u>
7 July 2011	Affordable and social housing, regeneration and renewal Westminster Social Policy Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
11 July 2011	The Higher Education White Paper - next steps for England's universities Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
12 July 2011	Competition in the NHS Westminster Health Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
12 July 2011	Next steps for smart grid development Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
12 July 2011	UK food security and innovation in the food chain Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
14 July 2011	Reforming the courts and tribunals service - challenges for modernisation and prospects for alternative dispute resolution Westminster Legal Policy Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
14 July 2011	The future of the water industry - expectations for the White Paper Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
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8 September 2011	NHS quality and safety post Mid Staffordshire: GP registration and effective regulation Westminster Health Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
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13 October 2011	The student as a consumer? The next steps for student experience and quality assurance in universities Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
17 October 2011	NHS Commissioning Board Westminster Health Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
18 October 2011	Energy security for the UK Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	<u>Find out more</u>

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29 November 2011	Reforming the Common Agricultural Policy: implications for UK agriculture and rural areas Westminster Food & Nutrition Forum	Find out more
15 December 2011	The UK nuclear energy strategy: safety, sustainability and new build Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	Find out more
17 January 2012	The future of health and safety regulation - assessing proposals for a 'common sense' approach Westminster Legal Policy Forum	Find out more
2 February 2012	UK universities in a global Higher Education market Westminster Education Forum	Find out more
7 February 2012	Carbon Capture and Storage: demonstration programmes and the 2050 Roadmap Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum	Find out more
Q2 2011	The state of play: next steps for the UK video games industry Westminster Education Forum	Find out more
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Q4 2011	The future of gambling: beyond the EU Green Paper Westminster eForum	<u>Find out more</u>
Q1 2012	Life after Building Schools for the Future - capital expenditure in education post-James Review Westminster Education Forum	<u>Find out more</u>
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