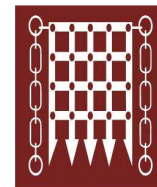


**Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum Keynote Seminar:
Policy priorities for UK rail services - market reform, the digital railway and customer service**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 23rd March 2017

Venue: Institution of Mechanical Engineers, One Birdcage Walk, London SW1H 9JJ



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Claire Perry MP, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Transport
- 9.05 - 9.15 **The outlook for passenger rail in the UK**
Paul Plummer, Chief Executive, Rail Delivery Group
- 9.15 - 9.25 **Passenger priorities for rail transport: fares, service quality and reliability**
Stephen Joseph, Chief Executive Officer, Campaign for Better Transport
- 9.25 - 9.35 **Assessing the future for the rail workforce: skills development, passenger safety and integrating new technologies**
Mick Cash, General Secretary, National Union of Rail, Maritime and Transport Workers
- 9.35 - 9.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 - 10.00 **Developing digital railway infrastructure: capacity, connectivity and new funding for future upgrades**
David Waboso, Managing Director, Group Digital Railway, Network Rail
- 10.00 - 10.50 **Establishing an intelligent network: smart ticketing, signalling systems and the use of big data**
Martin Howell, Director, External Affairs, Cubic Transportation Systems
Jeremy Meal, Director, Smart Ticketing and Fares Strategies, SYSTRA
Juan Pablo Luchetti, Consultancy Director, Mubaloo
Questions and comments from the floor with **David Waboso**, Managing Director, Group Digital Railway, Network Rail
- 10.50 - 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Claire Perry MP, former Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State, Department for Transport
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- 11.30 - 11.35 **Chair's opening remarks**
Peter Kyle MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Southern Rail
- 11.35 - 11.45 **Encouraging competition in rail services and implementing key lessons from the CMA report**
James Lambert, Director, Sector Regulation, Competition and Markets Authority
- 11.45 - 11.55 **Outlook for providing rail services: rolling stock, route operation and working practices**
Tim Hedley-Jones, Major Projects Director, Virgin Trains East Coast
- 11.55 - 12.05 **The way ahead for regional transport governance and modernisation**
Toby Rackliff, Rail Policy and Strategy Manager, Transport for West Midlands
- 12.05 - 12.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Policy priorities for passenger rail services in the 21st Century**
Simon Smith, Director, Passenger Services Design, Department for Transport
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum closing remarks**
Peter Kyle MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Southern Rail
Andrew Best, Forum Lead, Westminster Energy, Environment & Transport Forum