



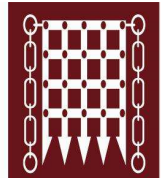
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**Policy Forum for Wales and Westminster Business Forum Keynote Seminar:  
Developing the 'Western Powerhouse' - the future for the Bristol, Bath,  
Cardiff and Newport area**

*Timing: Morning, Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018*

*Venue: Newport Centre, 1 Kingsway, Newport NP20 1UH*

*Agenda subject to change*



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Adrian Masters**, Political Editor, ITV Wales
- 9.05 - 9.35 **The vision for a 'Western Powerhouse'**  
**Rt Hon Alun Cairns MP**, Secretary of State for Wales, UK Government  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.45 **Securing economic growth in the 'Western Powerhouse' region: promoting collaboration, increasing investment and supporting key industry sectors**  
**Ben Lucas**, Managing Director, Metro Dynamics  
**Katharine Finn**, Regional Leader, West & Wales, PwC  
**Dr Sarah Perkins**, Director, GW4  
**Sara Pepper**, Director, Creative Economy, Creative Cardiff  
**David Hoare**, PR and Communications Leader, GE Aviation Wales  
**Chris Meadows**, Head of Open Innovation, IQE  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Adrian Masters**, Political Editor, ITV Wales
- 10.50 - 11.20 Coffee
- 11.20 - 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Mark Reckless AM**
- 11.25 - 12.10 **Promoting future infrastructure development: priority projects, increasing connectivity and tackling barriers to development**  
**Dan Okey**, Regional Development Manager, Great Western Railway  
**Tony Norris**, Partner, Geldards  
**Edward Hunt**, Director, Openreach Cymru  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 - 12.55 **Priorities for creating a stronger region: future governance, collaboration and lessons from other jurisdictions**  
**Tim Bowles**, Metro Mayor of the West of England  
**Councillor Russell Goodway**, Cabinet Member for Investment and Development, Cardiff Council  
**Alexander Renggli**, Chairman, Association of Economic Representatives and Counsellor and Head, Economic, Finance, Science & Innovation Section, Embassy of Switzerland  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**  
**Mark Reckless AM**  
**Roger Greer**, Associate Producer, Policy Forum for Wales and Westminster Business Forum