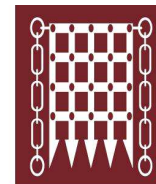


**Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar: Graduates and the labour market - improving employability, addressing skills gaps and latest recruitment practices**

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Venue: Broadway House, Tothill Street, London SW1H 9NQ



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb**
- 9.05 - 9.15 **Reforming the Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) survey and what it means for universities**  
**Rachel Hewitt**, Senior Data Policy & Governance Analyst, HESA
- 9.15 - 10.05 **Current and potential issues for the graduate labour market - skills gaps, international exposure and the likely impact of Brexit**  
**Sam Gordon**, Research Analyst, Association of Graduate Recruiters  
**Dr Heike Behle**, Research Fellow, LEGACY Project, Warwick Institute for Employment Research, University of Warwick  
**Edward Holroyd Pearce**, Co-Founder and Director, CRCC Asia  
**Dr Charlie Ball**, Deputy Director of Research, HECSU and Head of Higher Education Intelligence, Prospects  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Rachel Hewitt**, Senior Data Policy & Governance Analyst, HESA
- 10.05 - 11.00 **Responding to the latest trends in graduate recruitment - changing recruitment and interview processes, addressing unpaid internships and next steps for wider efforts to improve social mobility**  
**Doug Cole**, Head of Academic Practice, Higher Education Academy  
**Laura Yeates**, Head of Graduate Talent, Clifford Chance  
**Elaine Boyes**, Executive Director, AGCAS  
**Francis Ingham**, Director General, PRCA; Chief Executive, International Communications Consultancy Organisation and Master, City of London Company of Public Relations Practitioners  
**Hannah Harrison**, Business Director, GTI Recruiting Solutions  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Baroness Jones of Moulsecoomb**
- 11.05 - 11.35 Coffee
- 11.35 - 11.40 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Alison Goddard**, Editor, HE, Research Fortnight
- 11.40 - 12.10 **Addressing skills gaps - the role of Degree Apprenticeships and the likely impact of the Apprenticeship Levy on graduate recruitment**  
**Dr Brooke Storer-Church**, Higher Education Policy Adviser, HEFCE  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 - 12.55 **Preparing graduates for the labour market - supporting students to develop their employability**  
**Dr Karin Crawford**, Head, Lincoln Higher Education Research Institute, University of Lincoln  
**Andy Howard**, Joint Acting Director, Careers and Employability Centre, University of Sussex  
**Addie Pinkster**, CEO, The Adelpha Group  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Alison Goddard**, Editor, HE, Research Fortnight  
**Matthew Bradberry**, Forum Lead, Westminster Higher Education Forum