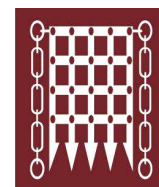


**Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar**  
**The future for international research partnerships: responding to Brexit, the Newton Fund and new relationships**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2017

Venue: Congress Centre, 28 Great Russell Street, London WC1B 3LS



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Daniel Zeichner MP**, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Groups on Life Science and Medical Research
- 9.05 - 9.25 **Developing an international profile: key priorities for the UK research community**  
**Professor Stuart Taberner**, Professor of Contemporary German Literature, Culture and Society, University of Leeds and Director of International and Interdisciplinary Research, RCUK  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 - 10.20 **Next steps for EU collaboration: Horizon 2020, ERC funding and mobility of researchers**  
**Dr Dan Korbel**, Acting Global Head of Science, British Council  
**Professor Carlos Frenk**, Director, Institute for Computational Cosmology, Durham University  
**Dr Sarah Main**, Executive Director, Campaign for Science and Engineering (CaSE)  
**Dr Lutz-Peter Berg**, Head of Science and Innovation, Embassy of Switzerland in the United Kingdom  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 - 10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Daniel Zeichner MP**, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Groups on Life Science and Medical Research
- 10.25 - 10.55 Coffee
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Layla Moran MP**, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson on Education
- 11.00 - 11.15 **The Newton Fund and developing the UK's role in global research**  
**Dr Sarah Honour**, Head of Science and Innovation Strategy and ODA, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
- 11.15 - 11.45 **The future of the Newton Fund: delivery and partnerships**  
**Stephanie Marie Black León**, Head of Culture and Education, Embassy of Mexico in the United Kingdom  
**Shane McHugh**, Head of International Activities, Royal Academy of Engineering  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Dr Sarah Honour**, Head of Science and Innovation Strategy and ODA, Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy
- 11.45 - 12.30 **The UK in the global research landscape: funding, new partners and priorities for growth**  
**Professor Heiko Balzter**, Director, Centre for Landscape and Climate Research, University of Leicester  
**Tom Thackray**, Director for Innovation, CBI  
**Rachael Sara-Kennedy**, Head of International Partnerships, Universities UK International  
**Kenan Poleo**, Head of Global Portfolio (China, India, North America and Emerging Markets), Innovate UK  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **'The role of research in international development, the changing UK landscape on ODA research and opportunities for UK science'**  
**Professor Charlotte Watts**, Chief Scientific Adviser and Director of Research and Evidence Division, Department for International Development  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Layla Moran MP**, Liberal Democrat Spokesperson on Education  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum