

Scotland Policy Conferences Keynote Seminar: Priorities for Scotland's life sciences sector - innovation, regulation and preparing for Brexit

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 22nd March 2018

Venue: Central Edinburgh



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Policy priorities for Scotland's life sciences sector**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 - 10.15 **Next steps for implementation of the Montgomery Review - approving new medicines, funding mechanisms and establishing a national formulary**

Dr Brian Montgomery, Author, *Review of Access to New Medicines*; Independent Healthcare Consultant and former Medical Director and Deputy Chief Executive, NHS Fife

Dr Alan MacDonald, Chairman, Scottish Medicines Consortium

Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 - 11.10 **Supporting innovation, collaboration, and adoption of new technologies**
How can life sciences businesses capitalise on Scotland's reputation as a centre for research and ensure that this translates into greater development of innovative, commercially viable technologies? What opportunities exist for promoting greater patient involvement in the design of new technologies, for instance during clinical trials? Building on the successful liaison services provided by the Health Innovation Partnership, what are the next steps needed to facilitate collaboration between the life sciences sector and NHS in relation to the procurement of innovative technologies and increasing awareness of the health technology assessment process?
Carina Healy, Partner, CMS
Ken Sutherland, President, Toshiba Medical Visualisation Systems Europe and Chair, Scottish Life Sciences Association
Senior representative, procurement
Senior representative, patients
Senior representative, research
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 - 11.45 Coffee
- 11.45 - 11.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.50 - 12.05 **Supporting internationalisation, building strategic relationships and accessing new markets**
Julia Brown, Director, Life and Chemical Sciences, Scottish Enterprise
- 12.05 - 12.15 **Priorities for life sciences regulation**
Senior representative, regulation
- 12.15 - 12.55 **Assessing the challenges and opportunities of Brexit for the life sciences sector**
How should export-led life sciences businesses be preparing for the UK's impending exit from the European Union? In light of the need for greater investment, facilities and infrastructure, as identified within the Life Sciences Scotland Strategy, how can Scotland's life sciences sector encourage investment following Brexit and what measures do government and the industry itself need to put in place? With many life science businesses reliant on European research staff, what key changes need to be made to the life sciences Skills Investment Plan to ensure that the sector is able to maintain its skilled workforce post-Brexit and how should the sector be advocating its needs to policymakers?
Sandra Auld, Director, Healthcare Public Affairs
Dr Sarah Hardy, Chief Investment Officer, Archangels
Senior representative, skills
Questions and comments from the floor with **Julia Brown**, Director, Life and Chemical Sciences, Scottish Enterprise and senior representative, regulation
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Scotland Policy Conferences closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Scotland Policy Conferences