

Scotland Policy Conferences Keynote Seminar: Supporting Scotland's life sciences sector - government strategy, 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**
Iain Gray MSP, Deputy Convener, Cross-Party Group on Science and Technology
- 9.05 - 9.35 **Policy priorities for Scotland's life sciences sector**
Paul Wheelhouse MSP, Minister for Business, Innovation and Energy, The Scottish Government
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, how can UK Government proposals for a new Health Advanced Research Programme (HARP), 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
Jim Miller, Director, Procurement, Commissioning and Facilities, NHS National Services for Scotland
Alison Culpán, Scotland Director, ABPI
Senior representative, research
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.10 - 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
Iain Gray MSP, Deputy Convener, Cross-Party Group on Science and Technology
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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
Mark Cook, Director, Reimbursement & Government Affairs, Medtronic UK and Chair, Scotland Working Group, Association of British Healthcare Industries
Chris Brodie, Lead Head of Skills Planning & Sector Development, Skills Development Scotland
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