

Westminster Business Forum policy conference

UK competition policy - The Penrose Review, priorities for the CMA, and next steps for regulatory reform, efficiency, and effectiveness

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 8th July 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **Competition policy in the UK - the current state of play**
Professor Andreas Stephan, Professor of Competition Law & Head of School, School of Law, University of East Anglia
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 **Key findings from the Penrose Review and priorities for implementation**
John Penrose MP, UK Anti-corruption Champion and Author, Penrose Review
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 Break
- 10.05 **An economics perspective on competition reform**
Madeleine Matos, Economist, Economic Insight
- 10.15 **Reforming competition in light of the Penrose Review recommendations - increasing consumer trust and confidence, the future role and powers of the CMA and priorities for the enforcement process**
Mihiri Seneviratne, Head of Consumer Policy, Citizens Advice
Alan Davis, Partner, Head of Competition, EU & Trade, Pinsent Masons
Michelle Meagher, Co-Founder, Balanced Economy Project and Senior Policy Fellow, University College London Centre for Law, Economics and Society
Senior speaker confirmed from **Ombudsman Services**
Senior representative, business
- 10.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 **Strengthening regulation around consumer and competition law, and the key priorities for the CMA**
Michael Grenfell, Executive Director of Enforcement, CMA
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **The impact of leaving the EU, and priorities for competition policy in post-Brexit Britain**
Dr Anca D. Chirita, Assistant Professor of Competition Law and Director of Ethics, Durham Law School
Senior representative, business
Senior representative, arbitration
Senior representative, regulator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Taking forward the recommendations from the Penrose Review and key priorities for policy**
Senior representative, policy
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Business Forum