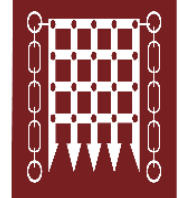


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Next steps for dispute resolution in England and Wales**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **The current dispute resolution policy landscape**  
**Kim Wager**, Head of Dispute Resolution Policy, Ministry of Justice
- 9.15 **Professional standards for mediators moving forwards**  
**Rebecca Clark**, Chair, Civil Mediation Council
- 9.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 **Next steps for mandatory mediation implementation and for those using mediation**  
*Capacity for increased use | Implications for cost management and access to justice in light of new standards | Impact of mandatory mediation on civil justice system efficiency | Priorities for dispute avoidance*  
**Martin Ellis**, Chair, College of Mediators  
**Stephanie Needleman**, Legal Director, Justice  
**Roger Levitt**, Mediator, Roger Levitt Mediation  
**Richard Miller**, Head of Justice, The Law Society  
**Simon Hammond**, Director of Claims Management, NHS Resolution  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 **Priorities for domestic and international arbitration - implementing the Arbitration Bill**  
**Jonathan Wood**, President, the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators; and Chair, International Arbitration, Reynolds Porter Chamberlain  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.25 **Priorities for the workforce**  
*Training and professional development | The role of technology in enhancing effectiveness and accessibility | Encouraging diversity in selection and nomination*  
**Professor Pablo Cortés**, Chair in Civil Justice, University of Leicester  
**Johnny Shearman**, Practice Group Attorney, Greenberg Traurig  
**Dr Ula Cartwright-Finch**, Managing Director, Cortex Capital  
Senior representative, arbitration  
Senior representative, training
- 11.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Future role of the courts in dispute resolution in England and Wales**  
**Lord Neuberger**, Arbitrator, One Essex Court; and former President, Supreme Court (2012-2017)  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Alice Burgess**, Westminster Legal Policy Forum