

**Westminster eForum policy conference:**  
**Priorities for diversity in the UK tech workforce**  
*Timing: Morning, Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> January 2024*  
**\*\*\*Taking place online\*\*\***



*Agenda subject to change*

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Hannah Russell**, Chief Executive Officer, British Science Association
- 9.05 **Policy and industry priorities for growing opportunities in technology and inclusion across education, career paths and leadership**  
**Rt Hon Greg Clark MP**, Chair, Science, Innovation and Technology Committee  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Improving take up of STEM subjects - early years foundation through to higher education, and developing education and extracurricular learning opportunities**  
**S  verine Trouillet**, Chief Executive, STEM Learning  
**Professor Billy Wong**, Director of Research and Evaluation, Institute of Education, University of Reading  
**Dr Andy Kemp**, Principal, The National Mathematics and Science College  
**Bobby Seagull**, Maths Teacher and Broadcaster, Little Ilford School, Newham  
**Andy Heyes**, Managing Director, UK&I & Central Europe, AUS & Spinks, Harvey Nash  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Diversity in the tech sector - strengthening relationships and developing pathways from research to industry**  
**Colin Williams**, Business CTO, Networking & Security, Computacenter  
**Paul Butler**, Executive Director and Chief Information Officer, Information and Library Services, University of Greenwich  
**Dr Chrissi McCarthy**, Managing Director, Centre of Behavioural Equality  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 Break
- 11.15 **Diversity in the research landscape - priorities, challenges, and opportunities**  
**Dr Izzy Jayasinghe**, Head of Department, Molecular Medicine, University of New South Wales; and Visiting Academic, University of Sheffield  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.45 **Creating inclusive workplaces - flexibility and recruitment, culture, organisational policies, tackling discrimination, and challenges for leadership**  
**Alfredo Carpineti**, Chair and Founder, Pride in STEM  
**Nimmi Patel**, Head of Skills, Talent and Diversity, techUK  
**Dr Peter Thompson**, Chief Executive Officer, National Physical Laboratory  
**Laurie Ollivent**, Senior Practice Development Lawyer, Employment & Incentives, and the Diversity Faculty, Linklaters
- 12.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Improving diverse representation in the UK's tech sector - challenges, opportunities and next steps**  
**Hannah Russell**, Chief Executive Officer, British Science Association  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**  
**Hannah Russell**, Chief Executive Officer, British Science Association  
**Tiernan Phipps**, Lead Researcher, Westminster eForum