

**Westminster eForum policy conference**  
**Priorities for regulating emerging technology in the UK**

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 **The future outlook for regulating emerging communications technology**  
**Federico Boccardi**, Emerging Technology Programme Director, Ofcom  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.25 Break
- 9.30 **Addressing the legal, policy, security, and regulatory considerations - supporting innovation and understanding risks posed by emerging technology, ensuring the agility of future regulation, and priorities for effective knowledge sharing between industries**  
**Ruth Steinholtz**, AretéWork; Co-Author, *Ethical Business Practice & Regulation A Behavioural and Values-Based Approach to Compliance and Enforcement*  
**Matt Hervey**, Partner and Head of Artificial Intelligence Law, Gowling WLG  
Senior academic  
Senior representative, industry  
Senior representative, cyber
- 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 Break
- 11.10 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.15 **Addressing barriers and opportunities for adoption - priorities for unlocking existing and future talent, emerging technology as a driver for business efficiency, and its role in solving real world challenges**  
Senior representative, skills  
Senior representative, SMEs
- 11.25 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **The main considerations for enabling research & development and cross sector collaboration**  
**Dr Peter Waggett**, Director, Hartree National Centre for Digital Innovation, IBM; and Chair, British Standards Biometrics Committee, BSI
- 11.55 **Supporting innovation and facilitating investment in emerging technologies, and engaging the public and private sectors**  
Senior representative, blockchain  
Senior representative, 5G  
Senior representative, artificial intelligence  
Senior academic
- 12.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.35 **Policy priorities for enhancing cross-sector standardisation, and supporting the UK's role as a global leader in the development and use of emerging tech**  
**Dr Scott Steedman**, Director-General, Standards, British Standards Institution  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
**Michael Ryan**, Deputy Editor, Westminster eForum