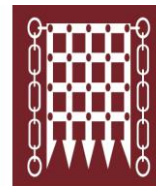


Westminster Business Forum policy conference

Next steps for the UK space sector - regulation, commercialisation and international partnerships

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Alistair Carmichael MP, MP for Orkney and Shetland, and Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Home Affairs, Political & Constitutional Reform, and Northern Ireland
- 9.05 **The development and regulation of commercial spaceflight in the UK**
Paul Cremin, Commercial Spaceflight Policy & Regulation Lead, Department for Transport
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Commercialising the UK's space sector - the Artemis programme, spaceport development and spaceflight regulation**

Developing and utilising funding for UK spaceports
David Oxley, Director of Business and Sector Development, Highlands and Islands Enterprise

The future regulatory framework for the sector
Joanne Wheeler, Managing Partner, Alden Legal

Progress with plans for UK spaceflight
Nick Shave, Chair, UKSpace

Plans for commercial flights in the UK
Steve Eisele, Vice President, Business Development, Virgin Orbit

Space flight operations and manufacturing
Nik Smith, Regional Director UK and Europe, Lockheed Martin Space

Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.30 Break
- 10.40 **Strengthening international partnerships and cooperation**
Elodie Viau, Director of Telecommunication and Integrated Applications and Head, ECSAT, European Space Agency
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 Break
- 11.25 **Supporting a sustainable space sector - skills, collaboration, innovation and safety**

Developing the skills and workforce to meet sector needs
Jacob Smith, Chair, UK Students for the Exploration and Development of Space

Collaboration between government and industry to achieve growth in the sector
Graham Peters, Chair, Space Growth Partnership

'Mitigating the impact of space weather and space debris'
Professor Richard Horne, Head of Space Weather, British Antarctic Survey

Improving telecommunications and connectivity
Richard Franklin, UK Managing Director and Head of Secure Communications, Airbus Defence and Space

Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 **Next steps for the UK's space sector**
Graham Turnock, Chief Executive Officer, UK Space Agency
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Alistair Carmichael MP, MP for Orkney and Shetland, and Liberal Democrat Spokesperson for Home Affairs, Political & Constitutional Reform, and Northern Ireland
Helen Crocker, Forum Lead, Westminster Business Forum