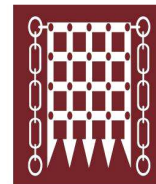


**Westminster Business Forum policy conference:  
Developing the Oxford-MK-Cambridge Arc economy - collaboration, building on the region's  
research base and delivering the Local Industrial Strategies**

*Timing: Morning, Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019*

*Venue: Central London*



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 9.05 - 9.20 **A single economic vision for the Oxford-MK-Cambridge Arc**  
**Nigel Tipple**, Chief Executive, OxLEP and Chair, Productivity Group, Ox-Cambridge Arc
- 9.20 - 10.20 **Bringing the four Local Industrial Strategies together - developing an approach to skills, infrastructure and  
business support across the Arc**  
**Hilary Chipping**, Chief Executive at the South East Midlands Local Enterprise Partnership  
**James Palmer**, Mayor, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Combined Authority  
Senior speaker confirmed from **East West Railway Company**  
Senior representative, college  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Nigel Tipple**, Chief Executive, OxLEP and Chair, Productivity Group,  
Ox-Cambridge Arc
- 10.20 - 10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian
- 10.25 - 10.50 Coffee
- 10.50 - 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Anneliese Dodds MP**, Member of Parliament for Oxford East
- 10.55 - 11.50 **Building on the region's research base - priorities for investing in new technologies, improving business-industry  
collaboration and developing clusters**  
**Roz Bird**, Commercial Director, Innovation Centre, Silverstone Park  
**Jo Stevens**, Managing Director, Oxford Innovation  
Senior representative, university  
Senior representative, environmental  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.50 - 12.15 **An international perspective on developing regions**  
Senior speaker to be confirmed  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.15 - 12.25 **Priorities for the Arc's business community**  
Senior speaker to be confirmed
- 12.25 - 12.55 **Developing a brand for the Arc as a region and attracting inward investment**  
Senior representative, marketing  
Senior representative, university  
Senior representative, tourism  
Questions and comments from the floor with senior speaker to be confirmed
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**  
**Anneliese Dodds MP**, Member of Parliament for Oxford East  
**Peter van Gelder**, Director, Westminster Business Forum