

**Westminster Media Forum policy conference:
Next steps for the UK's video game industry**
Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 27th February 2024
Taking Place Online



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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Alex Sobel MP, Chair of the Video Games and Esports APPG
- 9.05 **'The UK video games industry: an agenda for growth'**
Richard Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, TIGA
- 9.20 **The video games workforce - education and skills development, career guidance and pathways, talent recruitment and retention, and promoting diversity, inclusion and positive workplace cultures**
Marie-Claire Isaaman, Chief Executive Officer, Women in Games
Ryan Locke, Head of Centre for Excellence in Games Education, Abertay University
Peter Cowling, Director, iGGi
- 9.35 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.50 Break
- 9.55 **'Skills, funding and smart regulation - making the UK the place in the world to make, sell and play games'**
Daniel Wood, Acting Co-Chief Executive Officer, UKIE
- 10.10 **Sector growth and supporting entrepreneurship**
Rory Daniels, Programme Manager, Emerging Technologies, techUK
Michael French, Founder, London Games Festival
Senior representative, local authority
Senior representative, entrepreneurship
- 10.40 **Strengthening the sector for the future**
Paul Durrant, Chief Executive Officer, UK Games Fund
- 10.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
Alex Sobel MP, Chair of the Video Games and Esports APPG
- 11.20 Break
- 11.30 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.35 **Safeguarding and games for good - age-appropriate content, creating positive in-game cultures, and moving the use of games forward in ways that benefit players and wider society**
Sarah Sorrell, Charity Director, Safe In Our World
Dr David Zandle, Lecturer, University of York
Laura Harper, Partner, Lewis Silkin
Senior representative, industry
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.20 Break
- 12.25 **Regulatory priorities for the video game sector in the UK**
Emily Keaney, Deputy Commissioner of Regulatory Policy, Information Commissioner's Office
Senior representative, regulation
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Peter van Gelder, Director, Westminster Media Forum