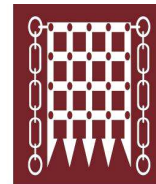


**Westminster Media Forum Keynote Seminar:
Next steps for tackling misinformation and disinformation online - policy options,
public awareness, and developing countermeasures**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 7th May 2019

Venue: Central London



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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Admiral the Rt Hon Lord West of Spithead
- 9.05 - 9.30 **Developing a policy response to the spread of disinformation online**
Sarah Connolly, Director, Security and Online Harms, DCMS
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 - 10.15 **Assessing the latest developments in 'fake news', and the steps currently being taken to counter it**
Joy Hyvarinen, Head of Advocacy, Index on Censorship
- Anna Belkina**, Deputy Editor in Chief and Head of Communications, Marketing and Strategic Development, RT
- Benedict Pringle**, Co-Founder, Coalition for Reform in Political Advertising
- Christian Broughton**, Editor, The Independent
- Senior representative, platform
- 10.15 - 10.45 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 - 10.50 **Chair's closing remarks**
Admiral the Rt Hon Lord West of Spithead
- 10.50 - 11.20 Coffee
- 11.20 - 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.25 - 12.10 **The way forward for tackling the issues - public understanding, technological countermeasures and the impact of the Cairncross Review**
Douglas McCabe, Chief Executive Officer and Director, Publishing and Tech, Enders Analysis
- Angie Pitt**, Project Director, Guardian Foundation and Director, Newswise
- Ashley Hurst**, Partner and International Head, Digital Business, Osborne Clarke
- Steven Brill**, Co-Founder and Chief Executive Officer, NewsGuard
- Jonathan Heawood**, Chief Executive Officer, IMPRESS
- 12.10 - 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 - 12.55 **The impact of online disinformation and the outlook for countering it going forward**
Senior speaker to be announced
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Media Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Peter van Gelder, Director, Westminster Media Forum