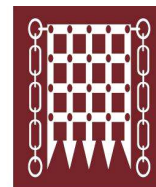


Westminster Business Forum policy conference
Key issues for UK high value manufacturing - innovation and investment, skills and partnerships, and the future for international trade

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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Dykes
- 9.05 - 9.20 **Progress since the Made Smarter Review and government priorities for UK manufacturing**
Clare Porter, Head of Manufacturing, BEIS
- 9.20 - 9.35 **Tackling barriers to innovation in high value manufacturing - skills, costs, cyber security, and partnership between government and industry**
Brian Holliday, Managing Director, Siemens Digital Factory
- 9.35 - 9.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.50 **Harnessing the potential of industry 4.0 - sustainability, innovation and investment in research and development**
Andy Schofield, Manufacturing & Materials Strategy and Technology Director, BAE Systems
Chris McDonald, Chief Executive Officer, Materials Processing Institute
Rosa Wilkinson, Communications Director, High Value Manufacturing Catapult
Senior representative, investment
Senior representative, sustainability
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.50 - 10.55 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Dykes
- 10.55 - 11.15 Coffee
- 11.15 - 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.20 - 11.40 **Reassessing the contribution of the manufacturing industry to the UK economy, and the impact of Brexit**
Dr Eoin O'Sullivan, Director, Centre for Science Technology and Innovation Policy, University of Cambridge
- 11.40 - 12.30 **Developing the sector's skills base - the engagement needed between industry, government and universities to attract young people and under-represented groups**
John Patsavellas, Senior Lecturer in Manufacturing Management, Cranfield University
Alison Beard-Gunter, Continuous Improvement Manager, Accolade Wines
Senior representative, FE
Chris Donkin, Partner, Savannah Group
Senior representative, apprenticeships
Questions and comments from the floor with **Dr Eoin O'Sullivan**, Director, Centre for Science Technology and Innovation Policy, University of Cambridge
- 12.30 - 12.55 **High value manufacturing post-Brexit - international trade, the manufacturing supply chain and the future of sector deals**
Stephen Phipson, Chief Executive Officer, Make UK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Peter van Gelder, Director, Westminster Business Forum