

Westminster eForum policy conference

Developing quantum technologies in the UK - policy support and focus, research and investment, and priorities for commercialisation and regulation

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 26th January 2021

Taking Place Online

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Chi Onwurah MP, Shadow Minister for Science, Research & Digital
- 9.05 **Developing the UK's quantum technologies sector - progress so far, and lessons learnt from the first phase of the Quantum Technologies Programme**
Sir Peter Knight, Chair, UK National Quantum Technology Programme Strategic Advisory Board
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 Break
- 9.40 **Taking forward quantum technology in the UK - priorities for the second phase of the of the Quantum Technologies Programme and use cases for quantum technology across the UK economy**
Professor Elham Kashefi, Associate Director (Applications), Networked Quantum Information Technologies Hub and Personal Chair, Quantum Computing, University of Edinburgh
Dr Liam Blackwell, Deputy Director, Quantum Technologies, Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council
Dr Rhys Lewis, Head of Quantum Metrology Institute, National Physical Laboratory
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.40 **Chair's closing remarks**
Chi Onwurah MP, Shadow Minister for Science, Research & Digital
- 10.45 Break
- 10.55 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.00 **Research and development in quantum technologies in the UK - funding, collaboration between universities and industry, and international partnerships**
Dr Siddarth Joshi, Research Fellow in Quantum Enhanced Sensing & Metrology, University of Bristol
Senior representative, industry
Senior representative, international
- 11.30 **The impact of new investment on the growth of quantum technologies - supporting emerging projects and applications in the UK, and tackling key barriers to development and widespread uptake**
Jonathan Legh-Smith, Head of Scientific Affairs, BT
Ian West, Partner, Head of Technology, Media and Telecommunications, KPMG
Senior representative, defence
- 12.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.20 Break
- 12.25 **Developing quantum technologies in the UK - priorities for commercialisation and the UK Quantum Technologies Challenge programme**
Roger McKinlay, Challenge Director, Quantum Technologies, UKRI
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentarian
Michael Ryan, Deputy Editor, Westminster eForum