Westminster Business Forum policy conference:
The UK space sector - developing the National Space Programme, priorities for Space19+, and the future for international collaboration

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 31st October 2019
Venue: Central London

Draft agenda subject to change

8.30 - 9.00  Registration and coffee

9.00 - 9.05  Chair’s opening remarks
Senior Parliamentarian

9.05 - 10.00  Commercialising UK space - key priorities from industry
Nik Smith, Director, Lockheed Martin
Peter Mountney, Chief Executive, Odin Vision

Senior speaker confirmed from Inmarsat

Questions and comments from the floor

10.00 - 10.30  UK space policy going forward
Senior speaker to be announced
Questions and comments from the floor

10.35 - 11.00  Coffee

11.00 - 11.05  Chair’s opening remarks
Senior Parliamentarian

11.05 - 11.30  Future collaboration between the UK and Europe
Magali Vaissiere, Director, Telecommunications and Integrated Applications and Head, ECSAT, Harwell UK, European Space Agency
Questions and comments from the floor

11.30 - 12.30  Facilitating the future growth of the UK space sector
The regulatory framework and supporting industry growth
Joanne Wheeler, Managing Partner, Alden Legal

The future for the development of spaceports and launch capabilities in the UK
Glenn Caplin, Chief Executive, Cornwall and Isles of Scilly LEP

Next steps for the development of the space industry sector deal
Graham Peters, Chairman, UKspace; Chairman, Space Growth Partnership and Vice President, Space, ADS

Developing the skills and workforce to meet sector needs
Professor Anu Ojha, Director, UK National Space Academy and Member, STFC Council

Ensuring access to finance for innovative businesses
Tim Just, Head of Space, Innovate UK

Defence, space and the Government’s role as an anchor customer to the industry
Captain Dave Moody, Deputy Head of Space, Joint Forces Command, MoD

Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 - 12.55  Where next for UK space?
Senior speaker to be confirmed
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