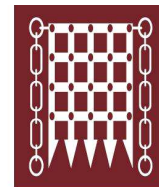


Westminster Higher Education Forum Keynote Seminar: Next steps for widening participation in higher education - developing collaboration between schools and universities, supporting disadvantaged groups and key priorities following the OfS review

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 12th March 2019

Venue: 15Hatfields, Chadwick Court, London SE1 8DJ

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- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon the Baroness Garden of Frognal, Deputy Speaker (Lords)
- 9.05 - 9.30 **The OfS approach to widening participation - key findings from the review**
Jessica Woodsford, Directorate Resource Unit Manager, Fair Access and Participation, Office for Students
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30-10.10 **Defining the key barriers to widening participation and tailoring outreach strategies**
Rabia Lemahieu, Disability and Skills Manager, Disability Rights UK
Ilyas Nagdee, Black Students Officer, NUS
Professor Tom Sperlinger, Professor of Literature and Engaged Pedagogy, University of Bristol
Emily Hughes, Access and Inclusion Manager, Directorate of Student Achievement, Kingston University
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.10- 10.20 **Evaluating the impact of the National Collaborative Outreach Programme**
Lindsey Bowes, Research Director, CFE Research
- 10.20-11.10 **Encouraging collaboration between schools, colleges and universities and the role of universities in raising aspiration and improving attainment**
Cathy Sinclair, Joint Head, UK Student Recruitment, Sheffield Hallam University
Dr Sonia Ilie, Director of Studies in Education, Fitzwilliam College and Senior Research Fellow, Faculty of Education & Hughes Hall, University of Cambridge
Alastair McKenzie, Principal, Kings College, Guildford
Senior representative, college
Senior representative, charity
Questions and comments from the floor with **Lindsey Bowes**, Research Director, CFE Research
- 11.10- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
Rt Hon the Baroness Garden of Frognal, Deputy Speaker (Lords)
- 11.15- 11.40 Coffee
- 11.40 - 11.45 **Chair's opening remarks**
Rt Hon David Lammy MP, former Minister, Higher Education and Intellectual Property, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills
- 11.45 - 12.05 **The role of centralised admissions in supporting widening participation**
Ben Jordan, Senior Policy and Qualifications Manager, UCAS
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.15 **The role of foundation courses in improving social mobility and widening access to undergraduate courses**
Alan Rusbridger, Principal, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford
- 12.15 - 12.55 **Next steps for widening participation beyond the National Collaborative Outreach Programme**

Flexible approaches to university admissions
Professor Tim Blackman, Vice-Chancellor, Middlesex University

Strategies used by alternative HE providers
Alexander Proudfoot, Chief Executive, Independent HE

Widening participation by improving information and guidance in schools
Hugo Dale-Harris, Policy Officer, HEPI

Questions and comments from the floor with **Alan Rusbridger**, Principal, Lady Margaret Hall, University of Oxford
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**
Rt Hon David Lammy MP, former Minister, Higher Education and Intellectual Property, Department for Business, Innovation and Skills
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum