

**Westminster Higher Education Forum policy conference:  
Next steps for knowledge exchange in HE and research in the UK**

*Timing: Morning, Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024*

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*Agenda subject to change*

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe**
- 9.05 **Strategies for enhancing knowledge exchange metrics**  
**Ellen Bamford**, Head of Knowledge Exchange Data and Evidence, Research England  
**Tomas Ulrichsen**, Director, Policy Evidence Unit for University Commercialisation and Innovation, University of Cambridge  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.45 **The current state of knowledge exchange in the UK**  
*Examining the KEF3 results | Assessing qualitative changes in knowledge exchange culture | The future role of university spin-out companies | Encouraging collaboration between knowledge exchange departments and external economic partners*  
**Natalie Campion**, Chief Executive Officer, KEVRI  
**Stuart Wilkinson**, Chief Executive Officer, Praxis Auril  
**Louise Rutt**, Senior Impact and Knowledge Exchange Manager, University of Plymouth  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Collaboration to expand the data pool - enhancing the UK's knowledge exchange resources**  
**Dan Cook**, Deputy Director, Higher Education Statistics Agency  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.05 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Baroness Warwick of Undercliffe**
- 11.10 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum
- 11.25 **Priorities for knowledge exchange across the UK**  
**Graeme Dey MSP**, Minister for Higher and Further Education, The Scottish Government (pre-recorded contribution)
- 11.40 **Enhancing knowledge exchange throughout the HEI curriculum**  
**Professor Arlene Holmes-Henderson**, Professor of Classics Education and Public Policy, Durham University  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 **Maximising the benefits of knowledge exchange for wider society**  
*Engaging with local communities, and UK regions | The role of knowledge exchange in the levelling up agenda | Widening inclusion and learning from international best practice*  
**Helen Lau**, Director of Business Engagement and Research Impact, University of Birmingham  
**Greg Wade**, Head of Innovation Policy, Universities UK  
**Ceri Nursaw**, Chief Executive, National Centre for Entrepreneurship in Education  
**Nicholas Duggan**, Founder and Consultant, Zuas  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**  
**Sean Cudmore**, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum