Westminster Business Forum policy conference

Next steps for green finance in the UK - regulation, product innovation, the transition to net-zero, and the role in the COVID-19 economic recovery

Timing: Morning, Friday, 15th January 2021

Taking Place Online

Draft agenda subject to change



9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Lord Desai

9.05 The role of finance in securing a green economic recovery - investment choices, transparency, and the process of transition in

a post-COVID-19 economy

Sir Roger Gifford, Chairman, Green Finance Institute and Senior Banker, SEB

Questions and comments from the floor

9.30 Regulation and the development of the green finance market

Richard Monks, Director of Strategy, FCA Questions and comments from the floor

9.50 Sustainable investments and the route to net-zero

Ray Dhirani, Head of Sustainable Finance & Green Economy, WWF-UK

Questions and comments from the floor

10.10 Break

10.15 What climate change means for the financial sector - innovation, new products, and consumer demand for green financial

products and services

Dr Nina Seega, Research Strategy Director, Centre for Sustainable Finance, University of Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership

Robin Penfold, Senior Partner, TLT

Gareth Mee, Partner, Head of Sustainable Finance Consulting, EY

Dr Arthur Krebbers, Head of Sustainable Finance, Corporates, Natwest Markets

Questions and comments from the floor

11.05 Chair's closing remarks

Lord Desai

11.10 Break

11.15 **Chair's opening remarks**

Lord Duncan of Springbank, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Climate Change), 2019 - 2020

11.20 International comparisons and positioning the UK as a global hub for green finance

Nathan Fabian, Chair, European Platform on Sustainable Finance

11.35 <u>'Ensuring every financial decision takes climate change into account - the role of professions and professionals'</u>

Simon Thompson, Chief Executive, Chartered Banker Institute

11.50 Questions and comments from the floor

12.05 <u>Managing the transition to net-zero - governance and climate-related disclosure, integration of climate change risks, and dovetailing with the green recovery policy agenda</u>

Laura Kelly, Director, Shaping Sustainable Markets, International Institute for Environment & Development

Clare Burgess, Partner, Clifford Chance

Matt Scott, Senior Director, Climate and Resilience Hub, Willis Towers Watson

Ben Carr, Analytics and Capital Modelling Director, Aviva

Tracy Gordon, Director, Corporate Governance, Deloitte

Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks

Lord Duncan of Springbank, Parliamentary Under Secretary of State (Minister for Climate Change), 2019 - 2020 **Helen Crocker**, Forum Lead, Westminster Business Forum