

Westminster Business Forum policy conference:

Next steps for non-financial reporting in the UK

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Senior Parliamentary
- 9.05 **Next steps for corporate transparency and the future for non-financial reporting in the UK**
Senior commentator
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Comparing and contrasting CSRD with ISSB - lessons from other jurisdictions**
Senior commentator
- 9.40 **Priorities for the development, implementation and enforcement of UK Sustainability Reporting Standards**
government consultation on UK SRS and ISSB endorsement / navigating mandatory and voluntary frameworks / interoperability with international standards / supporting businesses operating in multiple jurisdictions / quality and reliability of data collection / supply chain reporting requirements / how sustainability standards can support net zero aims / balancing net zero with economic growth
Dawn Slevin, Managing Director, Environmental Liability Solutions Europe
Senior representative, business
Senior representative, legal
Senior representative, investment
- 10.00 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.25 **Assessing the role of international voluntary standards in complementing mandated obligations**
David Fatscher, Interim Head, Sustainability and ESG Standards, British Standards Institution
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**
Senior Parliamentary
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Sharpe, Shadow Minister, Department for Business and Trade
- 11.05 **Next steps for sustainability assurance and ESG ratings - regulation, transparency and supporting market confidence**
Sahar Shamsi, Partner, Oxera
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 **Key considerations for embedding non-financial reporting into business culture**
Senior representative, business
- 11.40 **Implementing effective non-financial reporting - assurance, oversight and future data needs**
delivering transparent and accountable reporting / priorities for streamlining data collection / supporting investor confidence / options for a UK policy framework for sustainability assurance / achieving certainty for providers and reporters / quantifying social value in ESG metrics / role of technology in unlocking efficiency / implications of the Companies (Accounts and Reports) (Amendment and Transitional Provision) Regulations 2024 / improving cyber resilience of UK organisations
Cub Llewelyn-Davies, Head, Strategic Resilience Levers, National Cyber Security Centre
Katarzyna Szwarc, Vice President, Government and Regulatory Affairs, MSCI
Peter Swabey, Director, Policy and Research, Chartered Governance Institute UK & Ireland
Senior representative, corporate sustainability
- 12.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.30 **Policy priorities for future corporate reporting reform**
Andrew Death, Deputy Director, Corporate Reporting and Audit, Department for Business and Trade
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Lord Sharpe, Shadow Minister, Department for Business and Trade
Thomas Howard, Westminster Business Forum