

Westminster Legal Policy Forum keynote seminar

Next steps for tackling modern slavery - the impact of COVID-19, UK policy and organisational practice, and the global response

Timing: Morning, Wednesday, 27th January 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord Ian McColl of Dulwich CBE
- 9.05 **'Preventing modern slavery and human trafficking - a partnership between government, business and citizens'**
Dame Sara Thornton, Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 Break
- 9.35 **Priorities for research and evidence to improve the legal and policy framework**
Murray Hunt, Director, Modern Slavery and Human Rights Policy and Evidence Centre; and Director, Bingham Centre for The Rule of Law
- 9.45 **Prosecuting offenders, safeguarding victims and raising awareness of exploitation**
Mark Burns-Williamson, West Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner, and APCC Lead for Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery
- 9.55 **Next steps for tackling modern slavery in the UK - dealing with the impact of COVID-19, the NRM, and improving victim support**
Ahmed Aydeed, Director & Solicitor, Duncan Lewis Solicitors
Major Kathy Betteridge, Director, Anti Trafficking & Modern Slavery, The Salvation Army
Phillipa Roberts, Director of Legal Policy, Hope for Justice
- 10.10 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.35 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord Ian McColl of Dulwich CBE
- 10.40 Break
- 10.50 **Chair's opening remarks**
Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey
- 10.55 **Collaboration between different bodies, identifying victims and enforcement**
Sheon Sturland, Detective Superintendent and Unit Commander, Modern Slavery & Organised Immigration Crime Unit, National Police Chiefs Council
Robert Richardson, Head of Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Unit, National Crime Agency
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.20 **Tackling modern slavery globally**
Dr James Cockayne, Professor of Global Politics and Anti-Slavery, University of Nottingham and Senior Fellow, United Nations University Centre for Policy Research
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Meeting the challenge for organisations - transparency, action on supply chains, and ensuring best practice**
Dr Alexander Trautrim, Associate Director Business and Economics, University of Nottingham Rights Lab
Neill Wilkins, Head of Migration, Institute for Human Rights & Business
Alistair Wood, Solicitor, Pinsent Masons
Professor Mahmood Bhutta, Co-Founder, Medical Fair and Ethical Trade Group, and independent advisor to the British Medical Association
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.25 Break
- 12.30 **Next steps for policy in tackling modern slavery**
Damian Johnson, Deputy Director, Modern Slavery Unit, Home Office
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**
Baroness Lola Young of Hornsey
Helen Crocker, Forum Lead, Westminster Legal Policy Forum