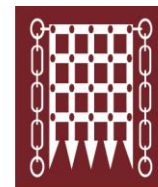


**Westminster Business Forum policy conference**  
**Priorities for supporting new businesses to start and scale up in the UK**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Leigh**, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Entrepreneurship
- 9.05 **Policy priorities for supporting new entrepreneurs and economic growth**  
**Paul Scully MP**, Minister for Small Business, Consumers and Labour Markets, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.40 Break
- 9.45 **What entrepreneurs want - how policymakers can support small business**  
**Emma Jones**, Founder, Enterprise Nation
- 9.55 **Developing future entrepreneurs - education, mentoring, and wellbeing**  
**Dr Inge Hill**, Director, Enterprise Educators UK; and Associate Head, Research, Enterprise and Knowledge Exchange, School of Business and Entrepreneurship, Royal Agriculture University  
**Julie Kapsalis**, Chair, Coast to Capital Local Enterprise Partnership  
**Ruth Rowe**, Entrepreneurship Officer, Bridgend College  
**Dr Ben Spiegel**, Senior Lecturer in Entrepreneurship, Director of MSc in Entrepreneurship and Innovation, University of Edinburgh Business School  
**Christina Richardson**, Founder, weare3sixty; and Entrepreneurship Fellow, UCL
- 10.20 Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.45 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Lord Leigh**, Vice-Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group for Entrepreneurship
- 10.50 Break
- 11.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Lord Bilimoria**, President, CBI; Chancellor, University of Birmingham; and President, UK Council for International Student Affairs
- 11.05 **Access to finance and supporting diversity**  
**Alice Hu Wagner**, Managing Director, Strategy, Economics and Business Development, British Business Bank  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.25 Break
- 11.30 **Case Studies - growing SMEs and addressing emerging issues**  
**Mike Turner**, Co-Founder and Managing Director, Bird & Blend  
**Emma del Torto**, Managing Director, Effective HRM  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.55 **'Supporting businesses with scaling up'**  
**Bev Hurley CBE**, Chief Executive Officer, YTKO, and Chair, Institute of Economic Development
- 12.05 **Tackling key challenges to starting and scaling up businesses in the UK - investment, business support, and mitigating the impact of the pandemic and transition from the EU**  
**Professor Ute Stephan**, Professor of Entrepreneurship, King's College London  
**Juliet Rogan**, Head of High Growth & Entrepreneurs, Barclays  
**Irene Graham**, Chief Executive Officer, ScaleUp Institute  
**Rebecca Seeley Harris**, Legal Director, Re Legal Consulting  
**Anthony Impey**, Chief Executive Officer, Be the Business
- 12.30 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**  
**Lord Bilimoria**, President, CBI; Chancellor, University of Birmingham; and President, UK Council for International Student Affairs  
**Helen Crocker**, Forum Lead, Westminster Business Forum