Westminster Legal Policy Forum Keynote Seminar: The future for UK immigration policy - regulation, enforcement and the Immigration Bill

**Timing:** Morning, Thursday, 3rd March 2016  
**Venue:** Royal Aeronautical Society, No.4 Hamilton Place, London W1J 7BQ

Agenda subject to change

8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee

9.00 - 9.10 **Chair’s opening remarks**  
Stuart McDonald MP, Shadow SNP Spokesperson, Immigration, Asylum and Border Control and Member, Home Affairs Committee

9.10 - 9.40 **UK immigration: latest data, policy trends and emerging challenges**  
Madeleine Sumption, Director, Migration Observatory, University of Oxford  
Questions and comments from the floor

9.40 - 10.40 **The Immigration Bill - implementation, coordination and enforcement practice**  
What will be the likely impact of proposals in the Immigration Bill - including introducing new sanctions on illegal workers and rogue employers, preventing illegal migrants in the UK from accessing public services, and establishing measures to make it easier to enforce immigration laws - on the future flow of illegal migration in the UK? What will be the practical organisational and implementation challenges, and how should these be tackled? What can be learnt from the record so far of a ‘whole government’ and cross-cutting approach to immigration enforcement - notably across the areas of health, employment, housing, education and business sectors - and is Government right to introduce further provisions to restrict migrant access to services, including private rented accommodation, driving licences and bank accounts? Will the creation of a new Director of Labour Market Enforcement go far enough in supporting regulatory efforts to address ‘the worst cases of exploitation’ and how warranted are recently-raised concerns that prioritising labour inspection as another means of immigration enforcement will result in increased forced labour? What impact will the Home Secretary’s newly announced ‘annual asylum strategy’ and ‘safe return reviews’ have on the future UK asylum framework - and is Government justified in seeking to review the legal definition of refugee status, in order to ensure that support is offered to the most vulnerable?  
Henry St Clair Miller, Manager, No Recourse to Public Funds Network  
Richard Lambert, Chief Executive Officer, National Landlords Association  
Saira Grant, Chief Executive, Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants  
Tony Smith, Managing Director, Fortinus Global  
Adrian Berry, Barrister, Garden Court Chambers  
Questions and comments from the floor

10.40 - 10.45 **Chair’s closing remarks**  
Stuart McDonald MP, Shadow SNP Spokesperson, Immigration, Asylum and Border Control and Member, Home Affairs Committee

10.45 - 11.20 Coffee

11.20 - 11.25 **Chair’s opening remarks**  
Daniel Kawczynski MP, Member, Foreign Affairs Committee

11.25 - 12.00 **The UK’s immigration framework - are policymakers moving in the right direction?**  
Rt Hon Keith Vaz MP, Chair, Home Affairs Committee  
Questions and comments from the floor

12.00 - 12.55 **Immigration and the UK economy - next steps for the immigration rules**  
Latest thinking on the future framework for regulating legal migration in the UK - including the rules governing the flow of non-EEA skilled workers and students - particularly in light of recent findings by the Home Affairs Committee on the working of the Tier 2 cap, and following the Migration Advisory Committee’s newly published review into Tier 2 migration.  
Bobby Duffy, Managing Director, Ipsos MORI Social Research Institute  
Alp Mehmet, Vice Chairman, Migration Watch UK  
Joy Elliott-Bowman, Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Study UK  
Ben Sheldrick, Managing Partner, Magrath LLP Solicitors  
Howard Catton, Head of Policy and International Affairs, Royal College of Nursing  
Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 - 13.00 **Chair’s and Westminster Legal Policy Forum closing remarks**  
Daniel Kawczynski MP, Member, Foreign Affairs Committee  
Marc Gammon, Associate Editor, Westminster Legal Policy Forum

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