

## Westminster Higher Education Forum policy conference

### Next steps for Open Access

Timing: Morning, Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> July 2021

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- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**  
Daniel Zeichner MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Universities
- 9.05 **UKRI's Open Access Policy - the vision for the future**  
Professor Sir Duncan Wingham, Executive Champion for Open Access, UKRI and Executive Chair, Natural Environment Research Council  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **The way forward post-pandemic - demand for open research, research culture, and ensuring financially sustainable options for researchers, funders and HEIs**  
Hannah Hope, Open Access Project Manager, Wellcome Trust  
Mandy Hill, Managing Director of Academic Publishing, Cambridge University Press  
Professor George Marston, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Research and Innovation, Northumbria University  
Senior commentator  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.15 Break
- 10.20 **'Streamlining communication and the neutral exchange of OA-related publication level information - collaborative infrastructure to make the ecosystem work better for everyone'**  
Yvonne Campfens, Executive Director, OA Switchboard
- 10.30 **The transition to open access - read-and-publish deals, licensing open access books, and the future of digital and remote scholarship**  
Liam Earney, Executive Director, Digital Resources, Jisc  
Ros Pyne, Global Director of Research and Open Access, Bloomsbury  
Dr Paul Ayris, Pro-Vice-Provost, and Director, UCL Library Services, University College London and Chair, LERU INFO Community  
Dr Simon Kerridge, Head, Research Policy and Support, University of Kent
- 10.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**  
Daniel Zeichner MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Universities
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Senior Parliamentarian
- 11.35 **Prestige indicators and OA - researcher valuation, research impact, value for money and ensuring an equitable system**  
Tasha Mellins-Cohen, Founder and Director, Mellins-Cohen Consulting
- 11.45 **Regional imbalances in access to open access and the impact of UK policy**  
Jonathan Harle, Director of Programmes, INASP  
Dr Jefferson Pooley, Professor of Media & Communication, Muhlenberg College, Pennsylvania, and Director, mediastudies.press
- 11.55 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 Break
- 12.15 **The way forward for open science**  
Professor Geoffrey Boulton, Regius Professor of Geology Emeritus, University of Edinburgh, and Board Member, International Science Council
- 12.25 **Harnessing open science to address global issues**  
Nick Campbell, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Springer Nature  
Nicola Jones, Head of Publishing, Sustainable Development Goals Programme, Springer Nature
- 12.40 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks**  
Senior Parliamentarian  
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum