

Westminster Business Forum policy conference

Next steps for green finance in the UK - Policy and regulatory developments, SDRs and the green taxonomy, a UK net-zero financial centre, international collaboration, wider societal benefits

Timing: Morning, Monday 9th May 2022

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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Sir Ed Davey MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Sustainable Finance
- 9.05 **Latest on the Greening Finance Roadmap and implementing the first phase**
Adam Lyons, Head, Green Finance Unit, HM Treasury
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.30 **Transparency, SDRs and the green taxonomy - supporting consumers and investors to make informed decisions, addressing greenwashing, the role of investor stewardship, and priorities for businesses to improve their reporting**
Robin Penfold, Partner, TLT LLP
Katie Critchlow, Chief Executive Officer, NatureMetrics
Ryan Jude, Programme Director, Green Finance Institute
Girish Narula, Chief Executive Officer, Urgentem
James Close, Head of Climate Change, Natwest Group
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.20 Break
- 10.25 **Achieving wider societal benefits from a green transition in the financial sector - supporting financial stability in vulnerable regions, levelling up, and opportunities for creating jobs and prosperity**
Cllr Rishi Madhani, Head of Climate and Sustainable Finance, NatWest Group; and Chair of Pension Committee, Camden Council
Stuart Clark, Head of Climate Transition, Lombard
Joshua Brunert, Global Head of ESG Product, Apex Group
Brendan Curran, Policy Fellow, Sustainable Finance, The Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment
Toby Poston, Director of Corporate Affairs, BVRLA
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.15 **Chair's closing remarks**
Sir Ed Davey MP, Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on Sustainable Finance
- 11.20 Break
- 11.25 **Chair's opening remarks**
Edward Bass, Inward Investment Manager, Department for International Trade
- 11.30 **Positioning the UK as a net-zero financial centre**
Miles Celic, Chief Executive Officer, TheCityUK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.40 **Moving forward on international collaboration in green finance**
Professor Sarah Hall, Professor of Economic Geography, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Nottingham; and Senior Fellow, The UK in a Changing Europe.
- 11.50 Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.10 Break
- 12.15 **Priorities for managing financial risk in green finance**
Michael Sheren, Senior Advisor, The Bank of England
- 12.35 **'Regulation and accountability in a greener financial system'**
Mark Manning, Technical Specialist, Sustainable Finance and Stewardship, Financial Conduct Authority
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Edward Bass, Inward Investment Manager, Department for International Trade
Patrick Owen, Senior Researcher, Westminster Business Forum