Westminster Higher Education Forum policy conference

Next steps for the Turing Scheme - implementation so far, growing international partnerships and the role of FE, and widening social and economic benefits

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 24th March 2022

Taking Place Online

Draft agenda subject to change

8.30 Registration

9.00 Chair's opening remarks

Wendy Chamberlain MP, Liberal Democrat Chief Whip

9.05 Progress in implementing the Turing Scheme so far and lessons learnt

Steve Woodfield, Head of Whitehall Stakeholder Engagement (Education), The British Council Questions and comments from the floor

9.25 Break

9.30 Assessing the rollout - funding priorities, adapting to the logistics of the new scheme, accessibility for students, and support for providers with the application process

Professor Robin Mason, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (International), University of Birmingham

Benthe Tanghe, International Project Coordinator, Newcastle University; and former Athletic Union Officer, Newcastle University Students' Union

Lise Bakke Brøndbo, Senior Adviser, Erasmus+ Institutional Coordinator, Oslo Metropolitan University **Emma Pearce**, Head of Global Opportunities, Keele University

9.50 The place of the FE sector within the scheme - achieving strong uptake from FE students, and the impact of exchange on further study and aspirations

Emma Meredith, International Director, Association of Colleges

10.00 Questions and comments from the floor

10.25 **Chair's closing remarks**

Wendy Chamberlain MP, Liberal Democrat Chief Whip

10.30 Break

10.40 Chair's opening remarks

Emma Meredith, International Director, Association of Colleges

10.45 Assessing the effects of the UK's withdrawal from Erasmus+ in the short and long term

Dorota Maciejowska, Specialist, University Networks and Una Europa Alliance, Jagiellonian University; and Chair, Academic Exchange and Mobility Working Group, The Coimbra Group

10.55 <u>Increasing outward mobility for UK students and the role of international exchange in improving academic relationships</u> between countries

Laura van Voorst Vader, Education and Science Attaché, Embassy of The Kingdom of the Netherlands in the United Kingdom

- 11.05 Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.30 Break

11.35 <u>Maximising the potential of the Turing Scheme - opportunities for disadvantaged students, supporting social mobility, boosting cultural understanding, upskilling students, and improving graduate employability prospects</u>

Alizée Cordes, International Student Mobility Manager, Teesside University

Professor David Carter, Head of the International Study and Language Institute, University of Reading

Caitroina McCusker, Education Lead, PwC United Kingdom

Iona Murdoch, President, ESN UK

Dr Max Fras, Consultant, Chatham House; and, Policy Consultant, DAI

12.00 Questions and comments from the floor

12.30 Future outlook for international exchange and the sector's experience of the Turing Scheme so far

Charley Robinson, Head of Global Mobility Policy, Universities UK International Questions and comments from the floor

12.55 Chair's and Westminster Higher Education Forum closing remarks

Emma Meredith, International Director, Association of Colleges
Sean Cudmore, Deputy Editor, Westminster Higher Education Forum

