

Centre Director shares thoughts on Tory Leadership Contest

Centre for Brexit Studies Director Professor Alex de Ruyter has shared his views and expertise on the Tory Leadership contest so far, and what we can expect to see over the next month before the new Conservative leader, and Prime Minister, is announced.

In a short video shared today, three days into the leadership race, Professor Alex de Ruyter has stated that this contest is all about Brexit as oppose to the huge array of other issues in the UK, and the next Prime Minister could very much be Boris Johnson. Johnson is currently favourite to move into Number 10 in July, followed by Jeremy Hunt.

The video comes in a week full of drama and controversy from the 10 contestants in the running for the top job. Alongside news of drug taking and controversial plans, there has also been an unexpected run in between Esther McVey MP and TV host Lorraine Kelly.

As well as discussing what's happened so far and what is yet to come, Professor Alex de Ruyter also looks into who we could expect to see heading towards the finish line, if any controversy so far will impact anyone's chance of success, where each candidate stands on Brexit and if it's simply too early to say who will win.

He also discusses why the BBC are broadcasting its very first Tory Leadership debate next week, and why there is such an interest in this contest.

The video is now available to watch on the [Centre for Brexit Studies YouTube channel](#).