

Centre for Brexit Studies Annual Conference agenda announced

The Centre for Brexit Studies is delighted to announce the confirmed agenda for its third annual conference.

The event, taking place on Zoom on Wednesday 23 September 2020, will bring together a wide range of speakers, industry experts and big names from across the West Midlands and the UK.

The online conference, titled 'Global Birmingham – Beyond Brexit' will discuss the region post-Brexit, thanks to a variety of guest speakers, panel debates and insightful talks. The event will focus on the West Midlands beyond Brexit, looking at topics such as the Commonwealth Games, HS2, Manufacturing and the future of the region in a post-Brexit landscape.

Confirmed speakers and panel members for the conference include Sir Vince Cable, former leader of the Liberal Democrats and Anand Menon, Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs at King's College London and Director of UK in a Changing Europe, as well as over 25 esteemed panel members and industry experts.

The event, which is free to virtually attend, will also offer the chance to get involved and ask questions, as well as the opportunity to find out more about the Centre for Brexit Studies and our research.

Attendees are encouraged to share thoughts on social media with the hashtag: #CBSGlobalBrum.

Global Birmingham – Beyond Brexit Agenda:

9.00 – Grab a coffee, and get ready for the event to start!

9.20am – Welcome from Professor Alex de Ruyter, Director of Centre for Brexit Studies

9.25am – Keynote Speech: Julian Beer, Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Birmingham City University – 'Global Brum?'

9.40am – Panel Discussion: Sport and Regeneration post-Brexit – The Commonwealth Games. Hosted by Dr Nicholas Wise with Paul

Faulkner, Professor John Harris, Professor Calvin Jones and David Grady.

10.50am – Break

11.00am – Keynote Speech: Sir Vince Cable, former leader of the Liberal Democrats and Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills from 2010 to 2015 – ‘De-coupling, UK style’

11.30am – Panel Discussion: Manufacturing – The Impact on the Region. Hosted by Beverley Nielsen with Professor David Bailey, Ian Henry, Raquel Ortega-Argilés, Jack Dromey MP and Tom Leeson

12.40pm – Lunch Break

1.20pm – Keynote Speech: Anand Menon, Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs at King’s College London and Director of UK in a Changing Europe – ‘Brexit: What Next?’

1.50pm – Panel Discussion: HS2 – On the Right Track? Hosted by Dr Steven McCabe with Vicky Pryce, Rachel Eade MBE, Liam Byrne MP and Dr Leslie Budd

3.00pm – Break

3.10pm – Panel Discussion: Future of the West Midlands – Entering a New Era. Hosted by Dr Shishank Shishank with Jude Thompson, Henrietta Brearley, Professor John Clancy, Amanda Lowe and Lindi Mngaza

4.20pm – Keynote Speech: Fiona Allan, Artistic Director and Chief Executive of Birmingham Hippodrome, President of UK Theatre and board member of Midlands Arts Council and West Midlands Growth Company – ‘The Show Must Go On: UK’s cultural leadership post Brexit’

4.50pm – Closing remarks from Professor Alex de Ruyter, Director of Centre for Brexit Studies

5.00pm – End

The online event is free to virtually attend, but registration is required [here](#).