

# Annual Conference 2020 speakers announced

The Centre for Brexit Studies is delighted to announce the confirmed speakers and panel members for its third annual conference. The event, which is taking place on 23 September in Birmingham, will feature a wide range of speakers from business, academia and politics.

The 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, taking place at The Old Library in Digbeth, Birmingham, 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 Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills from 2010 to 2015, and Anand Menon, Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs at King's College London in the United Kingdom and Director of UK in a Changing Europe.

## **Confirmed Speakers & Panel Members:**

### **Keynote Speakers**

**Professor Alex de Ruyter** – Director at the Centre for Brexit Studies.  
**Sir Vince Cable** – Former Leader of the Liberal Democrats and Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skills from 2010 to 2015.

**Anand Menon** – Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs at King's College London in the United Kingdom and Director of UK in a Changing Europe.

**Professor Julian Beer** – Deputy Vice-Chancellor at Birmingham City University.

### **Panel Members**

**Paul Faulkner** – Chief Executive at Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commerce.

**Professor Geoff Whittam** – Professor at Glasgow Caledonian University.

**Professor David Bailey** – Professor of Industrial Strategy at University of Birmingham and Senior Fellow at UK in a Changing Europe.

**Jack Dromey** – MP for Birmingham Erdington.

**Beverley Nielsen** – Liberal Democrat Candidate for West Midlands Mayor.

**Vicky Pryce** – Economist and Business Consultant.

**Professor John Harris** – Associate Dean Research, Glasgow School for Business and Society.

**Liam Byrne** – MP for Birmingham Hodge Hill, and Labour Candidate for West Midlands Mayor.

**Dr Nicholas Wise** – Reader in International Urban Change in the Faculty of Business and Law at Liverpool John Moores University.

**Professor Calvin Jones** – Deputy Dean for Public Value and External Relations at Cardiff Business School.

**Ian Henry** – Owner and Managing Director of AutoAnalysis and Visiting Professor at Centre for Brexit Studies.

**Dr Steven McCabe** – Associate Professor, Institute of Design and Economic Acceleration (IDEA) and Senior Fellow, Centre for Brexit Studies, Birmingham City University.

**Professor David Higgins** – Professor of Real Estate at Birmingham City University.

**Rachel Eade MBE** – Transport Manufacturing Specialist.

**John Clancy** – Former Leader of Birmingham City Council and Visiting Professor at Centre for Brexit Studies.

**Shishank Shishank** – Senior Lecturer in Operations Management at Birmingham City University.

**Jude Thompson** – Black Country Chamber President.

**Henrietta Brearley** – Director of Policy and Strategic Relationships at The Greater Birmingham Chambers of Commerce.

With many more to be announced!

For further information and to get your FREE tickets, head to the Eventbrite page [here](#).