

Westminster Business Forum policy conference:

Next steps for innovation in financial services

Timing: Morning, Thursday, 25th May 2023

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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 Registration
- 9.00 **Chair's opening remarks**
Lord McNicol of West Kilbride, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on FinTech
- 9.05 **Supporting innovation in financial services - protecting consumers and deepening engagement with industry**
Ravi Bhalla, Head of Innovation, FCA
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.35 **Driving innovation in financial services - priorities for developing UK fintech**
Andy Thornley, Head of Financial Services, techUK
Questions and comments from the floor
- 10.00 Break
- 10.10 **Developing the regulatory framework - progress and challenges for incorporating AI, the future of payment services and crypto, and enabling the safe and efficient introduction of new technologies**
Professor Daniel Broby, Chair, Financial Technology, Ulster University Business School
Natalie Lewis, Partner, Financial Services and Markets, Travers Smith
Kate Rhodes, Senior Counsel, Paysafe
Questions and comments from the floor
- 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**
Lord McNicol of West Kilbride, Vice Chair, All-Party Parliamentary Group on FinTech
- 11.05 Break
- 11.20 **Chair's opening remarks**
Andy Thornley, Head of Financial Services, techUK
- 11.25 **Strategic priorities for UK Fintech - driving growth and attracting investment, support across the lifecycle of a Fintech, developing the UK's competitive advantages, ensuring fair domestic competition, and securing the talent pipeline**
Kevin Chong, Co-Head, Outward VC
Professor Arman Eshraghi, Professor of Finance and Investment, and Deputy Head of Section for Research, Impact and Innovation, Cardiff Business School; and Member, Digital Skills Committee, Fintech Wales
Rachel Hillier, Partner, Financial Services and Insurance, Capital Law
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.15 Break
- 12.25 **Moving forward from the Kalifa Review - next steps for boosting the international competitiveness of the UK Fintech sector**
Ezechi Britton, Chief Executive Officer, Centre for Finance, Innovation and Technology
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 **Chair's and Westminster Business Forum closing remarks**
Andy Thornley, Head of Financial Services, techUK
Alex Hall, Researcher, Westminster Business Forum