



5th Business in the Parliament Conference, 18-19 June 2009

“Innovating for the upturn”

Agenda

Thursday 18th June, 2009

- 6.30pm Guests arrive
- 7.00pm *Drinks reception* – Hosted by Alex Fergusson MSP, Presiding Officer (Main Public Hall)
- 8.00pm *Dinner* (Garden Lobby)
- 10.00pm Close

Friday 19th June, 2008

- 8.15am Arrival and registration *with refreshments and a light breakfast*
- 9.00am **Welcome** – Alex Fergusson MSP, Presiding Officer (Debating Chamber)
- 9.10am **Opening Address** - The First Minister, The Rt. Hon Alex Salmond MP MSP
- 9.20am **Views from the Committee** – Iain Smith MSP, Convener of the Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee
- 9.30am **Learning from experience: UK, international and business perspectives**
- Jonathan Kestenbaum, Chief Executive, The National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts, and board member of The Design Council and the UK's Technology Strategy Board
 - Vikki England, HR Associate, WL Gore and Associates (UK) Ltd
 - Graham Hutcheon, Group Operations Director, The Edrington Group
- 10.20am **Discussion Sessions** (Committee Rooms)
- 12.20pm **Feedback and Open Forum** (Debating Chamber)
- 1.15pm **Closing speech** – John Swinney MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth
- 1.30pm **Closing Remarks** - Alex Fergusson MSP, Presiding Officer



Discussion Sessions

| Session | Minister/MSP/Senior figure as chair | Facilitator |
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| 1 – Skills utilisation and investing in the workforce Committee Room 1 | Keith Brown MSP , Minister for Schools and Skills | Mary Grant , Managing Director, First Scotrail and member of the Scottish Government’s Skills Utilisation Leadership Group |
| 2 – Innovation in science and technology Committee Room 6 | Fiona Hyslop MSP , Cabinet Secretary for Education and Lifelong Learning | Professor Anne Glover , Chief Scientific Adviser, Scottish Government |
| 3 – Public sector innovation Committee Room 4 | John Swinney MSP , Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth | Mike Harris , Senior Research Fellow, The National Endowment for Science, Technology and the Arts |
| 4 – Innovative regulation Room P1.02 | Adam Ingram MSP , Minister for Children and Early Years | Professor Russel Griggs , Chair, Regulatory Review Group and David Sigsworth , Chairman, Scottish Environment Protection Agency |
| 5 – Innovation in manufacturing Committee Room 3 | Iain Smith MSP , Convener, Economy, Energy and Tourism Committee | Isabell Majewsky , Chief Executive, GO Group and Steve Graham , Director, Scottish Manufacturing Advisory Service |
| 6 – Growing Business Innovation in Scotland Committee Room 2 | Willy Roe , Chairman, Highlands and Islands Enterprise and Chairman, Skills Development Scotland | Paul Lewis , Managing Director of Industries and Policy, Scottish Enterprise |
| 7 – Systems alignment Committee Room 5 | Jim Mather MSP , Minister for Enterprise, Energy and Tourism | Professor Umit Bititci Director of Strathclyde Institute for Operations Management (SIOM) and the Professor of Technology and Enterprise Management University of Strathclyde |