

**QEII Centre, London** Wednesday, 28th June 2023

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## Agenda

- 8:30 Registration & Breakfast Networking
- 9:20 Chair's opening remarks
- 9:30 Opening Keynote: Perspectives of a Supercluster

Sir Jonathan Symonds CBE, Chairman of the Board, GSK

#### 9:50 Panel discussion: Accelerating Innovation as a Key Driver of our Economic Future

Chair: Barbara Ghinelli, UKRI STFC

#### Speakers:

Lord David Willetts, President of the Resolution Foundation, Chair of UK Space Agency Steve Rees OBE, Vice President of Discovery Biology, AstraZeneca Sir Peter Knight - Imperial College London, National Quantum Strategy Baroness Nicola Blackwood, Chair of Genomics England and a Member of the House of Lords Science & Technology Select Committee

#### 10:35 Keynote

10:55 Networking and refreshment break

#### 11:20 The Power of Clusters: Unleashing Scientific Convergence

Sue Foxley, Research Director, Bidwells

## 11:30 Panel discussion: Creating a World Class Supercluster through the Convergence of Science and Technology

Chair: Sarah Haywood, Managing Director, Advanced Oxford

#### Speakers:

Isobel Stephen, Executive Director, Strategy, Performance and Engagement, UKRI Kristen-Anne Rutter, Executive Director, Cambridge Biomedical Campus Katherine Morgan, Head of High Growth & Entrepreneurs, Barclays Eagle Labs Nick Shave, Managing Director UK and Europe, Astroscale

#### 12:15 Panel discussion: Evolution of Real Estate for a New Era of Science & Technology

Chair: Richard Todd, Head of Oxford, Bidwells

#### Speakers:

Emma Cariaga, Joint Head of Canada Water & Head of Residential, British Land Jenny Gardner, Director of Development, ARC

#### 13:00 Lunch break

#### 13:45 Panel discussion: Revaluation of Science & Technology: The Investor Outlook

Jim Wilkinson, Chief Financial Officer, Oxford Science Enterprises

Dr Glenn Crocker, Executive Director, Pioneer Group

#### 14:30 Keynote: Cementing the UK as Scientific Superpower

14:55 Networking and refreshment break

#### 15:20 Panel discussion: Unleashing the Oxford-Cambridge Corridor as an Engine for Growth

Sir John Peace, Chair Midlands Engine

Dr. Andy Williams, Chair, Oxford-Cambridge Supercluster Board Professor Andy Neely, Senior Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Enterprise and Business, Cambridge University

#### 16:05 Panel discussion: Breaking Boundaries – Global Biotech Giants Investing in the UK

16:50 Closing remarks

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