

Academic discussant briefing for Brexit: an academic conference

Thursday 10 November, 9am – 12.30pm

Location: Attlee Suite, Portcullis House, Westminster

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Overview

This conference brings together parliamentary researchers and academics to consider some of the key policy areas affected by the UK's decision to leave the EU. The purpose of the day will be to discuss the effect of Brexit on different policy areas and help researchers and academics connect, network and share expertise and ideas.

There are two main parts to the conference:

- **A Research Council UK exhibition in the main Attlee Suite**, where attendees will be able to view stalls showcasing key Research Councils UK (RCUK) investments and opportunities for networking and discussion with academics and RCUK staff involved in these projects. RCUK have kindly organised this part of the event, and Susie Watts at ESRC led on liaising across the research councils to bring together key RCUK investments around policy areas, rather than by funding council. In total, there are 40 academics and research council staff registered to man the nine stalls (see details in Annex 1). There is an additional stall manned by Outreach to enable attendees to find out more about how academics can engage with the work of Parliament.
- **Six parallel facilitated discussion groups on different policy areas**, which will allow academics and parliamentary researchers to discuss issues in more depth. These are only open to attendees that have pre-registered for the discussion groups. To select academics to take part in these sessions, an open call was issued. We received 210 applications from academics from across the UK and these were sifted by a panel of parliamentary staff from across both Houses. In total 33 academics were selected and available to take part in the conference (see details in Annex 2).

The discussion sessions will be run in adjacent rooms and contain a total of up to 25 people (including parliamentary researchers and academic researchers). The session will run for 50 minutes (either from 10-10.50am or from 11-11.50am) and be facilitated by a staff member. Please note: there was very high demand from parliamentary researchers for the session on trade relations and economic impact, so we would like to run two sessions, one after the other (i.e. 10-10.50am and 11-11.50am). We would be very grateful if the academics selected for this area would take part in both of these sessions.

We would be very grateful if you would give a 2 minute introduction highlighting one or two key points about the implications of Brexit, based on your areas on expertise and the three key communication points you outlined in your application. Please see the table in Annex 3 for the area we would like you to focus on in your two-minute introduction. Please note, this table is the same as the one you were sent when you were notified your application had been successful. As before, this is just intended to be indicative to try to ensure we

cover a spread of areas and to generate discussion. The rest of the session will be a facilitated discussion, so you are of course free to raise any issues/ areas for discussion that you deem important.

In addition to the ~70 academics and RCUK staff, ~110 parliamentary researchers have registered. This includes Westminster staff based in the Libraries and Select Committees in both Houses and staff from the Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (POST) as well as Members' staff. It also includes members of the Inter-Parliamentary Research and Information Network (IPRIN); parliamentary research staff from the Northern Ireland and Welsh Assemblies and the Scottish Parliament. A full delegate list will be included in the delegate packs on the day.

Speaker biographies are provided in Annex 4.

Agenda

9.15-9.40am	Registration and refreshments
9.40-9.45am	Welcome on behalf of the UK Parliament from Patrick Vollmer, Director of Library Services, House of Lords
9.45-9.50am	Welcome on behalf of Research Councils UK from Phil Sooben, Director for Policy and Research and Deputy Chief Executive, ESRC
9.50-10.00am	Keynote from Professor Anand Menon, Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs, Kings College London and Director of the ESRC UK in a Changing Europe Initiative
10.00-12.00pm	Main Attlee Suite: Research Council UK stalls Attendees will be able to view stalls showcasing key Research Councils UK (RCUK) investments and opportunities for networking and discussion with academics and RCUK staff involved in these projects (see Annex 1).
10.00-10.50am and 11.00-11.50am	Rooms S, T, Q and U: Discussion groups Six parallel facilitated discussion groups on different policy areas will allow academics and parliamentary researchers to discuss issues in more depth. Please note that these are only open to attendees that have pre-registered for the discussion groups (see Annex 2).
12.10-12.20pm	Closing remarks from Penny Young, Librarian and Head of Participation, Research and Information at the House of Commons

Annex 1: Research Council UK stalls (Main Attlee Suite, 10.00-12.00pm)

Attendees will be able to view stalls showcasing key Research Councils UK (RCUK) investments and opportunities for networking and discussion with academics and RCUK staff involved in these projects.

Stall and topic	Academics and Research Council staff
UK in a Changing Europe	<p>The UK in a Changing Europe initiative promotes rigorous, high-quality and independent research into the complex and ever-changing relationship between the UK and the EU. It is funded by the ESRC and based at King's College London.</p> <p>Professor Anand Menon, Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs Director at King's College London and Director of UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p> <p>Pheobe Couzens, Centre Manager, UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p> <p>Dr John-Paul Salter, Researcher, UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p>
Trade relations, economic impacts and employment	<p>Dr Angus Armstrong, Director of Macroeconomics, the National Institute of Economic and Social Research and Senior Fellow of the UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p> <p>Professor Catherine Barnard, Professor in European Union Law and Employment Law at the University of Cambridge, and senior tutor and Fellow of Trinity College. She is also a Senior Fellow of the UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p>
Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries	<p>Dr Charlotte Burns, Senior Lecturer, Environment Department, University of York.</p> <p>Dr Mike Clare, NERC Knowledge Exchange Fellow, National Oceanography Centre.</p> <p>Dr Diana Feliciano, NERC Knowledge Exchange Fellow, Institute of Biological and Environmental Sciences, School of Biological Sciences, University of Aberdeen.</p> <p>Professor Wyn Grant, Professor of Politics, University of Warwick.</p> <p>Professor Andy Jordan, Theme Coordinator, Tyndall Centre, University of East Anglia.</p> <p>Dr Laura Vickers, NERC Knowledge Exchange Fellow in Horticulture, Crop Production and Agronomy, Harper Adams University.</p>
Energy and Climate Change	<p>Dr Alona Armstrong, Lancaster Environment Centre, Lancaster University.</p> <p>Dr Jess Davies, Lecturer, Pentland Centre for Sustainability in Business, Lancaster University and EPSRC Living with Environmental Change Early Change Fellowship holder.</p> <p>Professor Marian Scott, Professor of Environmental Statistics, University of Glasgow.</p> <p>Dr Raenne Miller, NERC Knowledge Exchange Fellow from the Scottish Association of Marine Science.</p> <p>Professor Jim Watson, Professor of Energy Policy at SPRU, University of Sussex and Research Director of the UK Energy Research Centre.</p> <p>Dr Mike Weston, Operations Manager, UK Energy Research Centre.</p> <p>Dr Jeanette Whitaker, NERC Knowledge Exchange Fellow from the Centre for Ecology & Hydrology.</p>
Migration	<p>Julie Cantalou, Public Policy Manager, University of Southampton.</p> <p>Professor Allan Findlay, ESRC Centre for Population Change, University of St Andrews.</p> <p>Professor Corrado Guiletti, Associate Professor, Department of</p>

	<p>Economics, University of Southampton. Professor Derek McGhee, Head of Social Sciences, University of Southampton.</p>
Immigration	<p>Jonathan Portes, Research Fellow at the National Institute of Economic and Social Research and Senior Fellow of the UK in a Changing Europe initiative. Dr Heather Rolfe, Associate Research Director at the National Institute of Economic and Social Research.</p>
Science and Research Funding	<p>Dr Helen Beadman, Head of Climate and Weather, NERC. Inga Benner, Deputy Director of the UK Research Office, the European office of the UK Research Councils. Dr Hannah Collins, Head of External Affairs, NERC. Vicki Crossley, Head of Society and Global Security, ESRC Dr Claire Devereux, Programme Manager International – Europe, STFC Rutherford Appleton Laboratory. Christina Miller, Director of the UK Research Office, the UK Research Councils' European Office. Maraki Mikroudaki, Internal Communications and External Affairs Manager, NERC. Chloë Somers, Head of EU Strategic Planning and Co-ordination, Research Councils UK. Phil Sooben, Director for Policy and Research, ESRC. Susie Watts, Deputy Head of Communications, ESRC.</p>
Foreign and Security policy	<p>Dr Tristram Riley-Smith, Centre for Science and Policy, University of Cambridge, and External Champion to the RCUK Partnership for Conflict, Crime and Security programme. Professor Richard G. Whitman, Director of the Global Europe Centre, Professor of Politics and International Relations at the University of Kent and a Senior Fellow of the UK in a Changing Europe initiative.</p>
Health (Health Data & Regulation and Health & Social Care)	<p>Sophie Broster-James, Head of Public Affairs, MRC Katy Ingleby, Public Affairs and Policy Manager, MRC Rosa Parker, Corporate Information and Policy Manager, MRC Dr Rhos Walker, Head of Informatics Research, MRC</p>
Outreach and Engagement (Universities Programme)	<p>Naomi Saint, Head of Universities Programme Kate Anderson, Senior Universities Programme Officer Julia Cushion, Universities Programme Support Officer Find out how the Outreach and Engagement Universities Programme supports engagement between Parliament and the academic community and supports teaching and learning about Parliament through HE.</p>

Annex 2: Parallel facilitated discussion groups (Rooms S, T, Q and U, 10.00-10.50am and 11.00-11.50am)

Six parallel facilitated discussion groups on different policy areas will allow academics and parliamentary researchers to discuss issues in more depth. Please note that these are only open to attendees that have pre-registered for the discussion groups.

Energy and Climate Change, Room U, 10-10.50am

Dr Aaron Goater, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
Will Miller, University of Cambridge, NERC-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Dr Joanna House, Cabot Institute, University of Bristol (academic discussant)
Dr Matthew Lockwood, School of Geography, University of Exeter (academic discussant)
Dr Despoina Mantzari, School of Law, University of Reading (academic discussant)
Dr Tim Rayner, School of Environmental Sciences, University of East Anglia (academic discussant)

Chloe Alexander, Parliamentary Researcher
Elena Ares, Climate Change and Energy Specialist, House of Commons Library
Andrew John Bocking, Senior Parliamentary Assistant
Sarah Boyd-Moss, House of Commons Library
Jim Camp, Health Select Committee
Chloe Corbyn, Environment and Transport Research Service
Richard Davis, Audit Manager NAO
Jeanne Delebarre, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Alistair Dillon, European Scrutiny Committee
David Hough, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Anne Mirkovic, Senior Caseworker
Charlotte Rogers-Washington, House of Commons Library

Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.50am

Dr Jonathan Wentworth, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
Jerome Mayaud, University of Oxford, NERC-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Professor Janet Dwyer, Countryside and Community Research Institute, University of Gloucestershire (academic discussant)
Professor Iain Fraser, School of Economics, University of Kent (academic discussant)
Professor Andrew Jordan, School of Environmental Sciences, University of East Anglia (academic discussant)
Professor Emeritus Brian Revell, Harper Adams University (academic discussant)
Dr Philip Rodgers, Lincoln International Business School, University of Lincoln (academic discussant)
Dr Apolline Roger, School of Law, University of Sheffield (academic discussant)

Jacqueline Baker, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Sarah Coe, Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee
Graeme Cook, SPICe, on secondment to Centre for Knowledge Exchange and Impact.
Emma Downing, Parliament and Constitution Centre
Julie Evans, European Scrutiny Committee
Gabrielle Garton Grimwood, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Thomas Glithero, Environmental Audit Committee
Elfyn Henderson, Research Service, National Assembly for Wales
Martin Leay, Parliamentary Research Service
Jennifer Mills, House of Lords EU Energy and Environment Sub-Committee
Danielle Nash, Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee
Edward Potton, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library

Sara Priestley, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Anwen Rees, Environment, Food and Rural Affairs Committee
Geraint Daniel Rennie, Parliamentary Research Service
Hannah Stewart, Legal Specialist, House of Commons

Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.50am

Dr Lydia Harriss, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
Cressida Auckland, University of Oxford, Nuffield Council on Bioethics-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Dr Edward Burke, Centre for European and International Studies Research/ Portsmouth Business School, University of Portsmouth (academic discussant)
Dr Michael Reynolds, Centre for Socio-Legal Studies, University of Oxford (academic discussant)
Dr Linda Risso, Institute of Historical Research, University of London (academic discussant)
Dr Anna Sergi, Department of Sociology, University of Essex (academic discussant)
Professor Richard Whitman, School of Politics and International Relations, University of Kent (academic discussant)

Manuel Abellan, Parliamentary Researcher
Jacqueline Beard, Home Affairs, House of Commons Library
Louisa Brooke-Holland, International Affairs and Defence Section, House of Commons Library
Rachael Cox, International Development Committee
John Curtis, Defence Select Committee
Dr Rebecca Davies, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee
Joanna Dawson, Home Affairs Section, House of Commons Library
Ashlee Godwin, Chamber and Committees, House of Commons
Ariella Huff, Chamber and Committees, House of Commons
Ryan Jackson, Parliamentary Research Service
Sally Lipscombe, Home Affairs, House of Commons Library
Vaughne Miller, International Affairs and Defence, House of Commons Library
David Nicholas, Defence Committee
Polly Roberts, Policy Research Unit
Monique Sprosen, Policy Research Unit (House of Commons)
Mary Stamp, Office Manager, Adam Afriyie MP
Joseph Watt, Petitions Committee

Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.50am

Dr Caroline Kenny, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
James Walker, University of Oxford, BBSRC-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Dr Maria Garcia, Department of Politics, Languages & International Studies, University of Bath (academic discussant)
Dr Michael Gasiorek, Department of Economics, UK Trade Policy Observatory, University of Sussex (academic discussant)
Ian Mitchell, Institute for Fiscal Studies (academic discussant)
Dr Anamaria Nicolae, Business School, Durham University (academic discussant)
Dr Thomas Sampson, Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics and Political Science (academic discussant)

Professor Philip B Whyman, Lancashire Institute for Economic and Business Research, University of Central Lancashire (academic discussant)

Louise Butcher, Business and Transport, House of Commons Library
Howard Daley, Scrutiny Unit
Dr Adam Evans, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee, House of

Commons

Daniel Harari, Economic Policy and Statistics, House of Commons Library
Paul Hardy, EU Committee Office
Christopher Howarth, ERG
Elin James Jones, Chamber and Committees, House of Commons
Nick Keehan, Parliamentary Research Service
Emily Mattin, Parliamentary Research Service
Henry Midgley, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee
Marianne O'Neill, Economic Policy and Statistics, House of Commons Library
Kathryn Potter, National Assembly for Wales
Annabel Pryke, Parliamentary Research Service
Devi Radia, Researcher, Jeremy Quin MP
Joseph Robins, Financial Scrutiny Unit
Monique Sprosen, Parliamentary Research Unit
Sibel Taners, European Scrutiny Committee
Josephine Willows, Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy Committee

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Iain McIver, Scottish Parliament Information Centre
Steven Ayres, Economic Policy and Statistics, House of Commons Library
Mike Winter, European Scrutiny Committee
Frederick Hodgson, Office of Shailesh Vara MP
Robert Cope, Northern Ireland Affairs Committee
Kathryn Potter, National Assembly for Wales
Gavin O'Leary, Chambers and Committees, House of Commons
Thomas Sharpe, Policy Research Unit
Arabella Lang, International Affairs and Defence, House of Commons Library
Lily Lewis, Office of Jack Dromey MP
Matthew Purvis, House of Lords Library
Tansy Hutchinson, Women and Equalities Committee
Lorna Booth, Economic Policy and Statistics, House of Commons Library
Foeke Noppert, Treasury Committee, House of Commons
Mark Sandford, Parliament and Constitution Centre
Lorraine Conway, Home Affairs Section, House of Commons Library
Daniel Lee, Treasury Committee
Wendy Wilson, Social Policy Section, House of Commons Library

Immigration, Room T, 11-11.50am

Dr Abbi Hobbs, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
Charlotte Kitchen, University of Durham, British Psychological Society-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Dr Susie Balderston, Sociology, Lancaster University (academic discussant)
Dr Stephanie Reynolds, Liverpool Law School, University of Liverpool (academic discussant)
Dr Michael Skey, Department of Social Sciences, Loughborough University (academic discussant)
Professor Madeleine Sumption, Migration Observatory, University of Oxford (academic discussant)
Anne Wesemann, Faculty of Business and Law, The Open University (academic discussant)
Professor Tim Wilson, Northumbria Law School, Northumbria University (academic discussant)

Harriet Deane, Home Affairs Committee
Alexander Horne, Joint Committee on Human Rights
Tim Moore, Northern Ireland Assembly Research & Information Team
Cecilia Santi O Desanti, Journal Office
Matthew Johnson, OSCT - FNO Threat Desk
Jacob Hayes, Parliamentary Research Service
Stephen Aldhouse, Health Committee
Leigh Gibson, European Scrutiny Committee, House of Commons
Maria Zakharova, Scrutiny Unit
Duma Langton, Committee Office
Penny McLean, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee
Amritpal Bachu, House of Lords Library Research Services
Pat Strickland, Home Affairs, House of Commons Library

Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.50am

Dr Sarah Bunn, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology (facilitator)
Daniella Rabaiotti, Institute of Zoology, British Ecological Society-POST Fellow (note-taker)

Professor Jonathan Bamber, School of Geographical Sciences, University of Bristol (academic discussant)
Bertalan Gyenes, MRC Clinical Sciences Centre, Imperial College London (academic discussant)
Professor Carole Mundell, Department of Physics, University of Bath (academic discussant)
Professor Paul Nightingale, Science Policy Research Unit, University of Sussex (academic discussant)
Professor Rick Rylance, Institute of English, School of Advanced Study, University of London (academic discussant)
Sarah Willis, Department of Health Services Research and Policy, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (academic discussant)

Sue Hubble, House of Commons Library
Sean Bex, Public Administration and Constitutional Affairs Committee
Baiba Braže, Embassy of Latvia
Daragh Quinn, Office of Dr Sarah Wollaston MP
Shaun Dunbabin, Parliamentary Research Service
Stuart Stoner, House of Lords EU Select Committee
Russell Taylor, Lords Library
Will Archdeacon, Office of Adam Afriyie MP
Jeanne Delebarre, Science and Environment Section, House of Commons Library
Dr Harry Beeson, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology
Dr Chandy Nath, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology
Dr Pete Border, Parliamentary Office of Science and Technology

Annex 3: Focus of two-minute openings in discussion sessions

Name	Discussion session	Focus of two minute opening
Dr Joanna House	Energy and Climate Change, Room U, 10-10.55am.	Climate change policy
Dr Matthew Lockwood	Energy and Climate Change, Room U, 10-10.55am.	Energy policy – internal energy market, renewables, interconnection
Dr Despoina Mantzari	Energy and Climate Change, Room U, 10-10.55am.	Potential institutional changes and energy market liberalisation. Legal aspects.
Dr Tim Rayner	Energy and Climate Change, Room U, 10-10.55am.	Future ambition of UK and EU climate change targets. State aid.
Dr Philip Rodgers	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	Fisheries context for Brexit.
Professor Janet Dwyer	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	Likely changes in land management and rural development post Brexit.
Professor Brian Revell	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	UK agricultural economics and food security.
Professor Iain Fraser	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	Open economy context for agricultural policy.
Dr Apolline Roger	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	Environmental law ramifications of Brexit.
Professor Andrew Jordan	Environment, Agriculture and Fisheries, Room T, 10-10.55am.	General environmental policy context for Brexit.
Dr Anna Sergi	Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.55am.	Organised crime and border control.
Dr Linda Risso	Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.55am.	Implications on NATO, historical perspective, co-operation.
Professor Richard Whitman	Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.55am.	Opportunities for foreign and security policy, alternative scenarios for foreign policy, security and defence.
Dr Michael Reynolds	Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.55am.	Treaty negotiation and arbitration, relationship with US.
Dr Edward Burke	Foreign and Security Policy, Room Q, 10-10.55am.	Common Security and Defence Policy, UK-Irish relations.
Dr Susie Balderston	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Impact on vulnerable groups, N. Irish border.
Dr Stephanie Reynolds	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Constitutional/ legal side, acquired rights.
Dr Michael Skey	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Social attitudes.
Professor Tim Wilson	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Criminal justice aspects.
Anne Wesemann	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Considerations on developing a tailored immigration policy.
Professor Madeleine Sumption	Immigration, Room T, 11-11.55am.	Migration data and analysis.

Professor Carole Mundell	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	Science and the economy, international collaboration, mobility for young scientists.
Professor Jonathan Bamber	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	Free movement of scientists, R&D funding post-Brexit.
Bertalan Gyenes	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	Perspective of scientists starting their careers.
Sarah Willis	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	Impact of Brexit on junior research staff and how resources for science and research are used.
Professor Paul Nightingale	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	EU-UK and UK-non-EU science collaboration.
Professor Rick Rylance	Science and Research Funding, Room U, 11-11.55am.	International collaboration in science and the UK's role.
Dr Maria Garcia	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Replacing single markets.
Ian Mitchell	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Non-tariff barriers.
Dr Thomas Sampson	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Negotiating process.
Dr Michael Gasiorek	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Trade arrangements.
Professor Phil B Whyman	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Models, economic pros and cons.
Dr Anamaria Nicolae	Trade Relations and Economic Impact, Room S, 10-10.55am AND 11-11.55am.	Economic modelling and trade models.

Annex 4: Speaker biographies



Patrick Vollmer

Patrick is Director of Library Services in the House of Lords. The Library provides impartial, authoritative, timely research and information services to Members of the House of Lords, their staff and the staff of the House. Patrick was previously Head of Research Services in the House of Lords from 2013 to 2015, where he was responsible for the delivery of research and information services.



Phil Sooben

Phil is Director for Policy and Resources, and Deputy Chief Executive. After an education at the Universities of Oxford and Warwick, Phil has been with ESRC since 1988. His current role entails oversight of all areas of Council business including corporate strategy and governance; financial and workforce planning; and cross-Council collaboration. He leads for ESRC on the What Works initiative and chairs the What Works in Crime Reduction funders group. He is also a member of the What Works advisory council, the governing board of the Public Policy Institute for Wales, the board for What Works Wellbeing and the Alliance for Useful Evidence funders group.



Professor Anand Menon

Anand is Professor of European Politics and Foreign Affairs, King's College London and Director of the ESRC UK in a Changing Europe initiative. Before coming to King's, Anand was Professor of West European Politics, and founding Director of the European Research Institute, at the University of Birmingham. Prior to that he was University Lecturer in European Politics and Fellow of St Antony's College, Oxford. He has held visiting positions at New York University, Columbia University and the Université libre de Bruxelles, among others. He is an associate fellow of Chatham House and Senior Associate Member of Nuffield College, Oxford. He is co-editor of the

journal *West European Politics*.



Penny Young

Penny is the Librarian and Director General of Participation, Research and Information at the House of Commons. Penny joined the House of Commons in 2015. She leads teams that include Education, Outreach and Engagement, Visitor Services and research services for MPs, the House of Commons Library and the Parliamentary

Office of Science and Technology, information management, and information rights. Previous jobs have included running the social research agency NatCen Social Research, Head of Audiences at the BBC Trust, and Director of Research at the consumer campaigner Which? Penny believes that healthy democracies depend on timely, relevant, high-quality analysis and information presented accessibly; together with citizens who understand and care about the role of Parliament, trust their representatives, and who believe that getting involved would be worthwhile.