



On the Agenda

Brexit – State of Play

15 October 2020, 09h30 – 10h30 (CEST), Zoom Webinar

ABOUT THE EVENT

More than four years after the Brexit referendum, with several rounds of negotiations, a couple of extensions, three “Brexit days” and two General elections, the UK’s departure from the EU has been a long process with a lot of ups and downs. It has monopolised a lot of time and energy from European and British leaders and their negotiating teams. As we are now approaching the end of the transition period on 31 December, Brexit is back on the agenda as the rapidly-approaching deadline to negotiate the Future Relationship between the UK and EU leaves little time for the two sides to find common ground.

What is worse, the British government recently announced its intention to break promises formerly made at the time of concluding the Withdrawal Agreement, casting a shadow on the trust and friendship the two parts sought to preserve until now. Several questions remain open, if they were ever closed: from the borders in Ireland and Gibraltar to the future of trade with the EU, from the protection of EU and UK citizens' rights in each bloc to cooperation on the international stage, what would be the consequences of a no-deal between the EU and the UK at this late stage, so crucial to set the basis for good neighbourly relations?

On the Agenda is the latest online webinar series created by the European Liberal Forum. Join us online, every second Thursday, to understand, discuss and challenge the most important topics that were or were not put *On the Agenda*.



EVENT SCHEDULE

09h25 Participants connect to the Zoom event

09h30 Opening Remarks

Daniel Kaddik, Executive Director, European Liberal Forum

09h32 Introduction by the Moderator

Peter Müller, Brussels Bureau Chief, DER SPIEGEL

09h35 First intervention

Irina von Wiese, British Politician and former Member of the European Parliament, Renew Europe Group

09h42 Second intervention

Tom Parker, President of the British Chamber of Commerce (Belgium) and Chairman at Cambre Associates

09h49 Third intervention

Nicolai von Ondarza, PhD, Head of Research Division at Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik, German Institute for International and Security Affairs

09h56 Moderated debate

10h27 Conclusions

10h30 End of event

An online event organised by the European Liberal Forum asbl (ELF). Co-funded by the European Parliament. Neither the European Parliament nor the European Liberal Forum are responsible for the content of the programme, or for any use that may be made of it. The views expressed herein are those of the speaker(s) alone. These views do not necessarily reflect those of the European Parliament and/or the European Liberal Forum asbl.