

Speakers' bios

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David Henig is Director of ECIPE UK, and Director of the UK Trade Policy Project. A leading expert on the development of UK Trade Policy post Brexit, in 2017 he co-founded the UK Trade Forum, which brings together UK trade policy experts to debate and analyse these issues. After the UK referendum vote he helped establish the new Department for International Trade, engaging in many of the UK's first working groups with non-EU countries, and setting out options for engagement with the US. He is special advisor to the House of Lords Committee on International Agreements. David started his career before Government in consulting and business development, having graduated from Oxford University.

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