

Meeting summary: 13 and 14 September 2017

Attendees

Mark Walport, Nancy Rothwell, Philip Bond, Keith Burnett (Day 2), David Cannadine (Day 1), Suranga Chandratillake, Ann Dowling, Paul Golby, Julia Goodfellow, Robert Lechler, Max Lu, Dervilla Mitchell, Fiona Murray, Venki Ramakrishnan, Colin Smith, Nick Stern (Day 2), Charles Roxburgh (Day 1), Joyce Tait

Apologies

Gareth Davies, Anne Glover, John Kingman, Ottoline Leyser, Mike Lynch

Guests

John Alty, Philip Budden, Amanda Dickins, Lucy Geoghegan, Philippa Gilbert, Duncan Hamer, Alexandra Jones, Dr Ruth McKernan, Antonia Romeo, Philip Rycroft, Jon Sell, Mike Short, Professor Melanie Welham

Day 1

The Chair welcomed new members to the meeting: Suranga Chandratillake, Max Lu, Joyce Tait and David Cannadine. Nick Stern has been re-appointed in a personal capacity, following the end of his ex officio appointment.

Members noted two letters sent to the PM over the summer on: (a) how science and technology can create economic opportunities around the UK and (b) the role of capital markets in helping S&T companies to grow and remain domiciled in the UK.

David Cannadine, President of the British Academy, gave a presentation about the contribution of the humanities and social sciences to the Industrial Strategy.

Philip Budden, Senior Lecturer at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) and Duncan Hamer, Deputy Director for Entrepreneurship and Delivery at the Welsh Government and Professor Fiona Murray provided a presentation about MIT's Regional Entrepreneurship Acceleration Programme (REAP).

CST welcomed Antonia Romeo, John Alty and Mike Short at dinner to discuss the potential implications of leaving the EU for science in the UK.

Day 2

Members provided updates regarding CST's current programme of work.

Alexandra Jones and Lucy Geoghegan (BEIS), Professor Melanie Welham, Chief Executive of BBSRC, and Dr Ruth McKernan, Chief Executive of Innovate UK joined the meeting for a discussion on the Industrial Strategy and the Industrial Strategy Challenge fund.

Philip Rycroft, Second Permanent Secretary at DExEU and Philippa Gilbert, Head of Market Access at DExEU, gave a presentation on the impact of migration on science students coming from the EU.

