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Workings of Whitehall October 2022: Key Players in the Policy Making Process

Wednesday 19 October 2022 | 09:00 - 17:00

09:00	Registration and refreshments	
09:30	Attendee Introductions and Objective Setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - An opportunity for participants to make introductions and set out their learning aims for the day 	Tom Sapsted Director of Strategic Engagement The Whitehall & Industry Group
09:45	Overview of the Civil Service, the Cabinet Office and Key Players in the Policy Making Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learn about the structure of the Civil Service - Gain an insight into the role of different departments and how they interact with central government - Hear about the differences between Whitehall and Westminster and how the two interact 	Tom Sapsted Director of Strategic Engagement The Whitehall & Industry Group
10:05	Q&A	
10:25	Overview of Policy Making (with a policy case study) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learn how policy is made by the Civil Service, with an insight into consultation and evidence gathering processes - Understand how policy is formed in practice and the role of the policy maker - Hear about a real-world policy example 	Olly Newton Executive Director, The Edge Foundation, and former Head of Apprenticeships Strategy Department for Education
10:45	Q&A	
11:00	Break	
11:15	Group Activity: A Policy Proposal (in Breakout Rooms) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Put some of the lessons you have learned into practice during this group exercise 	Olly Newton, Tom Sapsted Elena Wilson Policy Manager, The Edge Foundation and former Central Strategic Finance Advisor Department for Education
11:40	The role of the Treasury <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learn how policy funding decisions are made 	JP Spencer Principal Consultant, Metro Dynamics;

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the way in which a spending review works - Gain an insight into the interaction between HM Treasury and other departments 	Former Head of the Green Book and Major Projects Unit, HM Treasury
12:00	Q&A	
12:20	Lunch	
13:20	How Businesses Engage with Whitehall <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand how and when business can connect and collaborate with central government - Learn how businesses can engage in policy making - Hear about the practical and appropriate steps to getting in touch with Senior Civil Servants 	
13:35	Q&A	
13:50	The Role of the Special Adviser <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Learn about the unique and unusual role of the 'SpAd' - Understand the ways Special Advisers and Ministers work together - Hear how Special Advisers interact with the wider Civil Service and businesses 	Aidan Corely Government Affairs & Public Policy Manager, Economic Affairs, Google ; former Special Advisor to the Prime Minister, Cabinet Office
14:15	Q&A	
14:35	Break	
14:50	The Role of the Private Secretary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hear from a Private Secretary to a Minister, and to a Permanent Secretary, learning what their roles entail - Learn about the working life and schedule of a Minister - Understand how businesses can engage with Ministers and Permanent Secretaries 	Ella Cohen Private Secretary Office of the Secretary of State for Education
15:10	Q&A	
15:30	The Role of the Permanent Secretary <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hear from a former Permanent Secretary about their role at the top of a department and their legal responsibilities, including as Accounting Officer - Understand the ways in which a Permanent Secretary interacts with their department, Secretaries of State, businesses and SpAds 	Philip Rycroft Director, Philip Rycroft Consultancy ; former Permanent Secretary, Department for Exiting the EU
15:50	Q&A	
16:10	The Role of the Minister <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand the way that Ministers work with the Civil Service - Hear about how Ministers work across Government - Learn what the day to day is like for a Minister 	Helen Goodman Professor in Practice in the School of Government and International Affairs, Durham University ; former Deputy Leader of the House of Commons and Parliamentary Under-Secretary of state for Work and Pensions

16:30	Q&A	
16:50	Concluding Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">- A review of the day, reflecting on the key learning aims	Tom Sapsted Director of Strategic Engagement, The Whitehall & Industry Group
17:00	Close	