

**Policy Forum for Wales Keynote Seminar**  
**Priorities for regeneration in Wales - funding, implementation and generating local growth**

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Venue: Park Inn Hotel, Mary Ann Street, Cardiff CF10 2JH



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Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Dr Kay Swinburne MEP**, Member, European Parliament Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
- 9.05 - 9.15 **What Wales needs and the economic context for regeneration**  
**Dr Tim Peppin**, Director of Regeneration and Sustainable Development, Welsh Local Government Association and Member, Vibrant and Viable Places Advisory Group
- 9.15 - 9.35 **The impact of regeneration on poverty in Wales: evidence and implications**  
**Professor David Clapham**, Professor of Planning, University of Reading and Author, *Regeneration and Poverty in Wales: Evidence and Policy review*  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Dr Tim Peppin**, Director of Regeneration and Sustainable Development, Welsh Local Government Association and Member, Vibrant and Viable Places Advisory Group
- 9.35 - 9.55 **An overview of Welsh Government-funded projects**  
**Carole Weller**, Head of Regeneration, North and Mid Wales, Welsh Government  
**Meurig Watts**, Head of Regeneration, South Wales, Welsh Government  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 9.55 - 10.05 **Driving regeneration through developing leadership skills in Welsh business**  
**Professor Richard Davies**, Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University
- 10.05 - 10.55 **Priorities and challenges in implementing regeneration policy: getting projects off the ground, preserving local distinctiveness and learning from best practice**  
**Councillor Bernard Priest**, Deputy Leader, Manchester City Council  
**Jonathan Armstrong**, Chair, Ymlaen Llanelli  
**Richard Bellamy**, Head, Heritage Lottery Fund, Wales  
**Kate Howe**, Associate Director, Scarborough Developments, Scarborough Group International  
Questions and comments from the floor with **Professor Richard Davies**, Vice-Chancellor, Swansea University
- 10.55 - 11.00 **Chair's closing remarks**  
**Dr Kay Swinburne MEP**, Member, European Parliament Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
- 11.00 - 11.30 Coffee
- 11.30 - 11.35 **Chair's opening remarks**  
**Dr Kay Swinburne MEP**, Member, European Parliament Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs
- 11.35 - 12.05 **The role of European Structural Funds in Wales**  
**Rob Halford**, Head of Planning and Strategy, Welsh European Funding Office (WEFO)  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.05 - 12.55 **Challenges for realising the benefits of regeneration: attracting investment, generating growth and revitalising local communities**  
**Dr Francis Cowe**, Director Strategic Alliance and Partnerships, Universities Heads of the Valleys Institute (UHOVI), University of South Wales  
**Dr Martin Hoban**, Freelance Educator and Researcher  
**Michael Carrick**, Chief Executive Officer, Heads of the Valleys Development Company  
**Paul Connelly**, Director of Planning and Regeneration, LDA Design  
Questions and comments from the floor
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chair's and Policy Forum for Wales closing remarks**  
**Dr Kay Swinburne MEP**, Member, European Parliament Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs  
**Jonny Roberts**, Associate Editor, Policy Forum for Wales