

# State of Small Business Britain Conference

## Programme

### Productivity and Inclusive Growth

- 09.00 Registration and coffee
- 09.45: Introduction and Welcome to Conference - Lucy Armstrong (ERC Advisory Group Chair) and Professor Stephen Roper (Director ERC)
- 09.50: Welcome from our conference partner - Charlotte Keenan (Goldman Sachs, Office of Corporate Engagement and GS 10KSB) – **“Supporting Inclusive Growth through the 10KSB Programme”**
- 10.00: Keynote Speech – Government Minister – TBC
- 10.15: **Headline Video - the State of Small Business Britain**
- 10.20: **“UK’s Local Economic Growth Dashboard 2016”**  
Professor Mark Hart (ERC)
- 10.30: Panel discussion: Mark Hart ( ERC ) , Lee Hopley (EEF), Matt Adey (British Business Bank), Sarah Middleton (Black Country Consortium Ltd) Susanna Lawson (OneFile Ltd & 10KSB alumnus)
- 11.15: **“Forging a New Consensus on Inclusive Growth”** –  
Liam Byrne, MP (APPG on Inclusive Growth) - followed by Q&A
- 11.50: **“Growing Social Ventures in the UK”** –  
Cliff Prior (Big Society Capital) - followed by Q&A
- 12.30: Lunch and networking
- 13.30: Welcome back and introduction to afternoon session by Chair, Professor Stephen Roper (ERC)
- 13.35: **“Which Firms drive UK Productivity Growth?”**  
Professor Jun Du (ERC) - followed by Q&A
- 14.00: **In Conversation - The Work of the Productivity Council**, Phil Smith (Cisco UK and Ireland, and member of the Productivity Leadership Group)
- 14.20: Panel discussion: Jun Du (ERC), Jenny Cridland (BAE Systems), Joe Marshall (NCUB), Richard Evans (Mechatronic Ltd & 10KSB alumnus)
- 15.00: **Future and Prospects - SMEs driving Growth & Jobs** - *“What have we learnt today that has made us think differently about the prospects for UK SME Growth?”*  
  
Panel discussion: Ute Stephan (Aston University, ERC), James Phipps (Nesta), Haydn Thomas (NatWest), Mike Spicer (BCC), Kevin Davis (The Vine Trust & 10KSB alumnus)
- 15.40: **Final thoughts (ERC Directors)**
- 15.45: Conference close