

TRAVELMATTERS

Politics and Policies: An Agenda For Recovery



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Mark Tanzer
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Robert Courts MP
Minister for Aviation, Maritime & Security, Department for Transport



Andrew Flintham
Managing Director, TUI Northern Region



LBC's Tom Swarbrick



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09:30 Log on and familiarisation with the virtual conference platform

10:00 Welcome from the moderator, LBC's Tom Swarbrick

10:15 Opening address,
Mark Tanzer, Chief Executive, ABTA

10:30 Live audience Q&A with Mark Tanzer

10:45 Government address: recovery of UK aviation and travel
Robert Courts MP, Minister for Aviation, Maritime & Security, Department for Transport

10:55 Face to face with the Aviation and Maritime Minister
Interviewed by LBC's Tom Swarbrick

11:05 Keynote: an industry perspective on travel restart
Andrew Flintham, Managing Director, TUI Northern Region

11:20 Live Q&A with Andrew Flintham

11:30 Break
Visit event partners via the exhibition and meet up with colleagues virtually

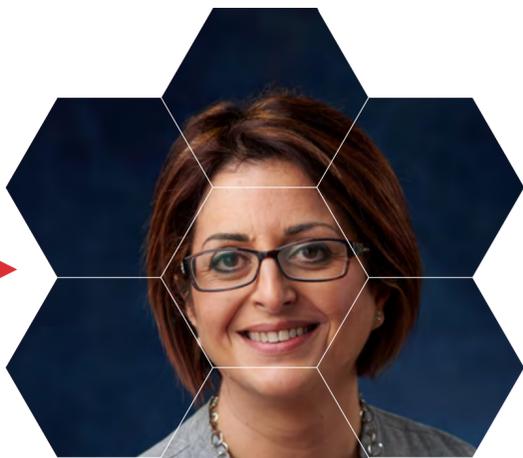
12:20 Keynote: the state of our nation
Isabel Hardman, Assistant Editor of the Spectator and Presenter, Week in Westminster

12:40 Panel: policy cooperation at home and abroad

- What is needed to boost recovery across the UK and Europe?
- What issues remain from the UK's departure from the EU and how do we solve them?
- What have we learnt from the last year?

Moderator: LBC's Tom Swarbrick
Luke Petherbridge, Director of Public Affairs, ABTA
Joanne Stuart OBE, CEO, NITA (Northern Ireland Tourism Alliance)
Joss Croft, CEO, UKinbound
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Alistair Rowland, CEO, Blue Bay Travel and ABTA Chairman



Garry Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, easyJet holidays



Luke Petherbridge, Director of Public Affairs, ABTA



Sir Stephen Hillier, Chair, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)



Martin Alcock, Director, Travel Trade Consultancy



13:30 Lunch and learn sessions

Choose from a selection of 'lunch and learn' sessions with our destination partners during your lunch break. Learn about local COVID-19 protocols and requirements in-destination as travel unlocks.

14:30 Keynote: aviation and financial protection

Sir Stephen Hillier, Chair, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)

14:50 Panel: consumer trust and financial protection

- Promoting traveller confidence as travel unlocks
- Airline insolvency and regulation reform
- Customer information dissemination and assurance

Moderator: Martin Alcock, Director, Travel Trade Consultancy
Garry Wilson, Chief Executive Officer, easyJet holidays,
Julia Lo Bue-Said, Chief Executive Officer, Advantage Travel Partnership,
John de Vial, Special Adviser to the Chief Executive, ABTA

15:40 Chairman's closing remarks

Alistair Rowland, CEO, Blue Bay Travel and ABTA Chairman

16:00 Practical workshop

Wind down workshop: solving your regulatory and financial challenges

End your hectic day at the conference with the soothing sound of solutions! In this session, the Travel Trade Consultancy team will draw on experience and insights from their work with over 200 travel companies, to provide tactics and practical suggestions to help you tackle the four most pressing regulatory and financial challenges facing travel business owners today.

Martin Alcock, Director, Travel Trade Consultancy
Jade Stutely, Operations Director, Travel Trade Consultancy

17:00 Close

The event

ABTA's Travel Matters conference will be brought to you virtually from a studio, streamed live via a custom digital platform, to explore this year's theme 'Politics and Policies: An Agenda for Recovery'.

Now in its 11th year, this important industry event provides a timely update on politics and current affairs in an ever-changing world. What are the policies that are shaping the travel landscape and what can we learn from the upheaval in the past year? What is needed from Government to rebuild travel in the long term?

Event theme

With the Government's roadmap to recovery now in motion and a plan for international travel to resume, the travel industry can finally see the light at the end of a very long tunnel. But, what effect has the Coronavirus, and the Government's response to the crisis, had on the travel industry? How do we rebuild travel effectively and ensure consumer confidence? What do we need from future policy and politicians to rebuild travel, now and for the longer term?

At one of the most crucial times in travel history, ABTA will lead the conversation on how we can unlock our industry and look forward, building a strong foundation for future challenges.

Audience

Travel and tourism industry representatives attend to gain thought-leading commentary on current affairs and the issues affecting travel. The delegate

The travel industry has faced, and continues to face, uncertainty. There has never been a more important moment for our travel industry to come together and make our voice heard in current affairs.

With an agenda professionally moderated by LBC's Tom Swarbrick, key industry players and political speakers will look at critical issues for travel: future regulatory reform; political relationships at home, with the devolved administrations and in the EU; the future of financial protection and airline insolvency reform.

Take part in interactive breakout sessions and workshops and address your business specific questions.

list includes CEOs and directors, political figures, government stakeholders and national and travel trade media representatives.

Prices

This year, ABTA Members are invited to register free of charge.

Pre-registration is essential as places limited.

ABTA Members* – **Free of charge**

ABTA Partners* – **£99 plus VAT**

Non Members – **£150 plus VAT**

*To qualify for the ABTA Member/Partner discount you must have a current ABTA Member/Partner number or your application must be in progress when the event takes place. For details on becoming an ABTA Member or Partner visit abta.com/join

Event format

Travel Matters will be brought to you virtually. There will be keynote conference sessions, panel discussions, interactive discussion sessions and online networking.

- Speakers will present live from a studio and will be available for questions and discussion on the day.
- Interactive breakout sessions will enable interaction and engagement during breaks.
- View presentation slides via the platform.
- Network with attendees on the platform via the 1:1 chat function or arrange 1:1 video meetings, visit sponsor hubs for exclusive content, guidance and resources.
- Watch content after the event on demand using your platform log in details.
- Support and tutorials will be available.

For information on sponsorship and exhibition opportunities please contact **Matt Turton** on **07766 517 611** or email **mturton@abta.co.uk**

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