

Speaker Schedule

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9.45am – 3.00pm

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ABOUT THE SPEAKERS



ANDREW SMITH

Andrew M. Smith joined the Pinewood Studios Group in June 2008 as Corporate Affairs Director. Synonymous with world class British and international productions, the Pinewood Studios Group is home to some of the most successful feature films and TV shows of all time, including James Bond and Star Wars.

Andrew is Chair of the Buckinghamshire Local Enterprise Partnership; a Board Director of Bucks Business First, a member of BAFTA, the British Film Commission Advisory Board, the British Screen Advisory Council and a Governor of the British Film Institute.



ALISON LOMAX

Alison is a digital veteran having started in the days of dial-up Internet, working for government departments, MI5 and Foreign Office, before moving to the advertising world. Whilst at Tribal DDB, she was Head of Media on Volkswagen's digital brand strategy as well as launching The National Lottery business on the Internet, mobile and interactive TV. She was then Head of Digital Client Services at Beattie McGuinness Bungay before joining Google 6 years ago. Alison has a varied career at Google, having led the Creative agency team, the Brand solutions team and now leads the Lifestyle Retail sector. Alison is a proud feminist, a member of WACL (Women in Advertising & Communications London) and married to Jim, a film Producer with two highly spirited daughters, Livy (12) and Freya (8).



SIR DAVID LIDINGTON

David Lidington was elected Member of Parliament for Aylesbury (Conservative) in 1992 and has held a number of positions including Shadow Secretary of State for Northern Ireland from 2003 to 2007 and Shadow Minister for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs from 2007 to 2010.

He served as Minister of State at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) from May 2010 until July 2016.

David was Leader of the House of Commons and Lord President of the Council from July 2016 to June 2017.

David was appointed Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice on 11 June 2017, and then this year, he became Minister of the Cabinet Office.



TONY FORSYTHE

Tony is the Head of Standards and Deputy Head of Technology Strategy for the UK Space Agency. He has responsibility for representing the UK's interests in a number of national and international Space steering boards, specialising in standards, technology innovation and supporting local growth.

He also leads on the National Space Propulsion Test Facility for the Agency and works in the early technology element of technology programmes. These encompass key areas of local growth, programmes and policy while working closely with the European Space Agency and aiding the development of space activity at Harwell for the Agency.

Prior to joining the UK Space Agency, Tony worked in education as a successful, qualified Headteacher (acting) of a secondary school having been a long term outstanding practitioner leading the Science subjects, specialising in Physics and Astronomy. Tony also occasionally advises on education areas within the UK Space Agency having previously worked with the UK Space Agency's Education team, in part with Tim Peake's launch, helping to improve the learning in STEM subjects and beyond.



PATRICK FLANNERY

Patrick is Managing Director of Flannery Plant Hire. He joined the family business in 2001 when it had an annual turnover of £5 million. Working alongside his two brothers, the business has been transformed from a small regional player to the largest provider of operated plant and heavy equipment in the UK, with a turnover of £95million and seven bases nationwide.

The driving ambition of the company is to be forward thinking and embrace innovation, making Flannery Plant Hire a standard-setter in the industry on plant specification that continues to raise the bar. Patrick is passionate about developing the workforce and continually invests in operator skills and new-entrant training. Working alongside the Institute for Apprenticeships, he currently Chairs the Trailblazer working group for Construction Plant Operator and is keen to develop new operators through the new standard. As the industry faces one of its largest ever skills shortages, Patrick is keen to promote the construction sector as a positive career choice.

The business is proud to have worked on projects including HS2, the Olympic Park, the M25 and M4, Heathrow Airport, The Aberdeen Bypass, Crossrail and the A14 improvement scheme.



LOHAN PREENCER

After graduating in Acoustic Engineering, Lohan worked for a small independent record label before moving to Warner Music in the mid-90s to run the strategic marketing division. In 1998 Lohan met Lord (James) Palumbo, founder of Ministry of Sound, developing a strong working relationship which led to him joining the indie label and nightclub empire Ministry of Sound to run their recorded music operations. Over the last 20 years, ultimately as Chairman of the Ministry of Sound Group, Lohan built Ministry of Sound into the largest independent record company in the world which he sold to Sony Music Entertainment in 2016. In 2018 Ministry launched a private members club and shared workspace for the creative industries in a 50,000 sqft warehouse in south London. "The Ministry" is the first of many new collaborative creative centres across the globe.



NEIL MACDONALD

Neil has been CEO of Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust (BHT) since January 2019. The Trust offers services across five community hospitals, two acute hospitals and many community settings, including patients' own homes.

Neil read modern history at St. Anne's College, Oxford before completing an MSc in Healthcare Management at the University of Birmingham. His career in the NHS started in Yorkshire as a National General Management trainee in 2003, and he first came to BHT in 2005. Following roles at the Healthcare Commission and general management positions at Imperial and Guy's & St Thomas' Trusts, Neil returned to BHT in July 2013 as deputy Chief Operating Officer for the Surgery and Critical Care Division. Neil became Chief Operating Officer in April 2015 and was appointed interim Chief Executive Officer in March 2018.

Neil was a member of the 2012 NHS London Emerging Leaders Programme and is a Trustee for Scanappeal. Neil is passionate about delivering the best possible care for the people of Buckinghamshire and helping them to lead happy and healthy lives.



PADDY PATTERSON

Apprenticeships Manager, Buckinghamshire Thames Valley Local Enterprise Partnership

Arguably there's never been a better time to use an apprenticeship to get on the job ladder. It can even be easier to get your foot in the door with a major company as an enthusiastic apprentice than four years later as a graduate!

Why? Because by the time graduates are knocking on their doors, many former apprentices will have already had several years of experience. Paddy will explain how the new apprenticeships work, talk through the pros and cons, and answer any questions that you might have.

Paddy leads on the apprenticeship agenda at the Buckinghamshire Thames Valley Local Enterprise Partnership, working with businesses, training providers, schools and apprentices to raise awareness of the apprenticeship opportunity.



DR. ROB LEWIS

Dr Rob Lewis, OBE. Rob Lewis graduated from the University of Leeds in 1991 with a BEng Honours degree in Mechanical Engineering and subsequently again from Leeds in 1995 with a PhD in CFD. From 1995 to 1998 he worked as a support engineer and later project team leader at Fluent Europe Ltd. From 1998 to 2007 Rob led Advantage CFD, an aerodynamics and CFD consultancy, from start-up with Reynard Motorsport to eventual closure under Honda F1 Racing Team. In 2007 Rob and others founded TotalSim Ltd, a Computational Fluid Dynamics Consultancy which employs 25 people in Brackley, Northamptonshire and also has an office in America and Japan. Rob is a chartered engineer and a Fellow of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers. In June 2017 Rob was awarded an OBE for services to science applied to sport in recognition of Rob's contribution to the performance of British athletes' over the last 3 Olympic campaigns.



PAUL OWEN

Paul is on a mission to change the perception of sales in British culture from mostly negative to totally positive. In 2012, as part of his mission to find new sales talent and change thousands of lives, he launched the nationwide skills programme – Let's get Britain selling!© – to introduce more people to the world of sales. In 2017, he wrote a book to support the programme: SECRET SKILL. HIDDEN CAREER. Launched at Waterstone's Piccadilly, it became an Amazon Bestseller within a month of publication. He also hosts a weekly podcast: SECRET SKILL. HIDDEN CAREER: The Truth About Sales. His recruitment and training company, Sales Talent, specialises in sales.



DR HARIN SELLAHEWA

Dr Harin Sellaheewa holds a BSc in Information Systems and a DPhil in Computing, both from the University of Buckingham (UB). During the latter stages of his DPhil, he worked on the EU-funded FP6 project, SecurePhone, as a Research Associate. He then joined the Gray Cancer Institute (now the Gray Institute for Radiation Oncology & Biology, University of Oxford), as a post-doctoral scientist to work with Professor Boris Vojnovic on the award winning CyMap project. Harin's role was to develop algorithms to automatically detect, count and track cells.

He rejoined Buckingham in 2008 as a researcher, became a Senior Lecturer in July 2012 and a Reader in January 2018. He was appointed Head of Applied Computing Department in November 2014 and Interim Dean of School of Computing from 1st September 2018.

Harin's research interests are in Artificial Intelligence, Computer Vision, and Machine Learning. He has co-authored over 50 peer-reviewed journal/conference papers and a book chapter. He was the Lead Academic of a successfully completed two-year Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) project, jointly funded by Innovate UK and Deepnet Security Limited. He is the Lead Academic of the recently awarded KTP project, jointly funded by Innovate UK and Russell IPM. More recently, he has expanded his work into augmented reality (AR) and virtual reality (VR) with a particular interest in their use in education.

Harin is a passionate promoter of STEM; he has spoken at schools and public engagement events; organised and participated in several STEM activities (coding tasters, AR and VR experience); launched campaign to increase diversity in Computing.

SPEAKER SCHEDULE



Saturday 19th October 2019 9.45am-3.00pm

TIME	SPEAKER	COMPANY	SUBJECT/CAREER SECTOR	DURATION
09.45	Marina Jackson	Under 19 Skills Manager Bucks Skills Hub	Welcome to the Bucks Skills Show	5 mins
09.50	Andrew Smith	Director of Corporate Affairs, Pinewood Studios, Chair of Bucks LEP and Governor, British Film Institute	Buckinghamshire Local Industrial Strategy. Career Opportunities in Film, TV, Animation and Games	15 mins
10.05 - 10.15	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
10.15	Rt Hon Sir. David Lidington	MP for Aylesbury	Government Skills Policy and Industrial Strategy – the opportunity for young people	15 mins
10-30-10.40	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
10.40	Paul Skitt	Director of Skills & Development Flannery Plant Hire	Careers in Civil Engineering and Construction	15 mins
10.55-11.05	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
11.05	Alison Lomax	Director of Lifestyle Retail Google	Careers in Digital	15 mins
11.20-11.30	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
11.30	Tony Forsyth	Deputy Head of Technology Strategy, Head of Standards UK Space Agency	Careers in Space Industry	15 mins
11.45-12.15	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			30 MINS
12.15	Lohan Presencer	CEO Ministry of Sound	Careers in the Music Industry	15 mins
12.30-12.40	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
12.40	Neil Macdonald	CEO Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust	Careers in Healthcare	15 mins
12.55-13.05	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
13.05	Paddy Patterson	Apprenticeship Manager Bucks Skills Hub	A Guide to Apprenticeships	15 mins
13.20-13.30	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
13.30	Rob Lewis	Managing Director TotalSim Ltd	Careers in High Performance Engineering	15 mins
13.55-14.05	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
14.05	Paul Owen	Managing Director Sales Talent UK	Careers in Sales	15 mins
14:20-14:30	AUDIENCE CHANGEOVER			10 MINS
14.30	Dr Harin Sellaheewa	Dean of School of Computing University of Buckingham	The Future of Artificial Intelligence	15 mins
14:45	Marina Jackson	Under 19 Skills Manager Bucks Skills Hub	Presentation of Best Stand Winner 2019 award and closing remarks	15 mins
15:00	CLOSE			

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