



# AFB CEO PROGRAMME 2023

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## A SELECT SERIES OF EVENTS EXCLUSIVE TO AFB MEMBER BANK CEOs

The AFB CEO Programme provides **an invaluable opportunity for the CEOs of member firms to engage directly with some of the UK's most important banking stakeholders**. Participants hear directly from those who are responsible for creating Government and Regulatory policy as well as learn from senior leaders engaged with financial services.

In 2023, the AFB CEO Programme will again offer a varied series of thought leadership sessions designed specifically for senior leaders of our member firms. The events will be held in-person facilitating opportunities for attendees to develop relationships with their peers.

All events are held under the Chatham House Rule to promote an open and confidential discussion.

For 2023, we have taken on board member feedback and a more focused programme will be delivered at a lower cost. We also recognise that many CEOs have multiple diary commitments and therefore we are happy to discuss appropriate substitutes from your leadership team in the event of clashes.

We are delighted that BCLP (Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner) will once again support this programme with their expertise, insight and sponsorship. BCLP is one of only a few law firms which house their contentious and non-contentious financial regulatory teams together alongside their financial services litigation, corporate crime and white-collar expertise. BCLP offer a team of dedicated lawyers who have extensive experience acting for financial institutions and members of their management who may have personal regulatory exposure.

The programme has received many positive endorsements from previous participants.

*"The AFB CEO programme an invaluable tool in getting up to speed on the UK financial services space. I would not hesitate to recommend it to my fellow CEOs"*

*"A unique opportunity, only made possible by the AFB, thank you!"*

*"Exactly what I was hoping for from the CEO Programme. Interesting, but also important. Congratulations and thanks"*

*"The time-slot was very well structured & we covered multiple topics in a depth which I thought was quite impressive"*

### CONTACT US

For more information on the CEO Programme and to request to join in 2023, please email [Lauren.Campbell@foreignbanks.org.uk](mailto:Lauren.Campbell@foreignbanks.org.uk) or call 020 4529 0079.

Price: £1,950 + VAT



## AFB CEO PROGRAMME 2023

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	SPEAKER
18 April 2023 09:00 – 11:00	The UK Government’s Priorities for the Banking Sector	Andrew Griffith MP, Economic Secretary to the Treasury and City Minister
10 May 2023 09:00 – 11:00	The Road to a Greener Future	Dr Rhian-Mari Thomas OBE, Chief Executive Officer, Green Finance Institute
14 September 2023 09:00 – 11:00	Sustainable Investment in the UK – the role of the UK Infrastructure Bank	John Flint, Chief Executive Officer, UK Infrastructure Bank
Autumn 2023 (date to be confirmed)	The UK Opposition’s priorities for the banking sector	Senior representative from the Opposition
31 October 2023 11:30 – 13.30	How is London Seeking to Attract and Retain Foreign Banks	Chris Hayward, Policy Chairman, City of London Corporation
29 November 2023 15:00 – 17:00	The UK Regulatory Landscape: The PRA Perspective	Nathanaël Benjamin, Executive Director for Authorisations, Regulatory Technology, and International Supervision, PRA

**DATES AND SESSIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE**



## Andrew Griffith MP, Economic Secretary to the Treasury and City Minister

### The UK Government's Priorities for the Banking Sector

2023 is a key year for foreign banks in the UK, as reforms are being commenced to the UK's financial regulatory architecture that will shape the regime for a generation. The AFB is working hard to ensure the voice of foreign banks is heard by policymakers and regulators as these changes are developed.

This meeting with the Economic Secretary to the Treasury will offer participants the opportunity to engage directly with the UK Government to offer feedback on the reforms as well as other issues impacting your business here in the UK.

### Date & Location:

18 April 2023  
09:00 – 11:00

BCLP  
Governor's House  
5 Laurence Pountney Hill  
London, EC4R 0BR

Andrew is the Economic Secretary to the Treasury and the UK's 'City Minister', a role he has held since September 2022.

Prior to this appointment he served as Minister of Exports with the Department for International Trade. Andrew has also formerly been Minister for Policy and Head of the No10 Policy Unit and the Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Prime Minister. In the year leading up to the COP 26 United Nations Climate Summit in November 2021, Andrew served as the UK's Net Zero Business Champion.



## Dr Rhian-Mari Thomas OBE, Chief Executive Officer, Green Finance Institute

### The Road to a Greener Future

London has retained its top spot on the latest Global Green Finance Index (GGFI), which provides a measurement of the development of green finance for policy makers and investors. It is important that this attractiveness is maintained to ensure continuing investment in London's financial services industry.

This session will provide an opportunity to hear about the creation of financial services solutions to accelerate the transition to a low-carbon future.

Dr Rhian-Mari will also provide her thoughts on how the banking industry can play a vital role in this transition, and there will be a chance for members to ask specific questions on this topic.

### Date & Location:

10 May 2023  
09:00 – 11:00

BCLP  
Governor's House  
5 Laurence Pountney Hill  
London, EC4R 0BR

Dr Rhian-Mari Thomas was awarded an OBE for services to green banking and was appointed chief executive of the UK Government and City of London Corporation-backed Green Finance Institute in 2019.

Rhian is an Emeritus Member of the Taskforce on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures (TCFD) and currently co-chair of the Informal Working Group for the Taskforce on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD). She is also a member of the UK Government's Financial Services Trade Advisory Group, Net Zero Technology and Innovation Advisory Group and sits on the Advisory Board of the Bartlett School of Environment, Energy and Resources, University College London as well as the Broadway Initiative Advisory Board.



## John Flint, Chief Executive Officer, UK Infrastructure Bank

### Sustainable Investment in the UK - the role of the UK Infrastructure Bank

The UK has set a goal of being net-zero by 2050. At this roundtable, John will outline how UK Infrastructure Bank is progressing with its aims and priorities around climate change, including aligning its lending with an economy moving towards net zero. The participants will have an opportunity to question John about how non-UK banks can best work with the UK Infrastructure Bank as part of their business strategy in the UK.

This session will also provide an opportunity to discuss the role of financial services generally in the decarbonisation of all sectors of the UK economy to meet the net zero target by 2050.

#### Date & Location:

14 September 2023  
09:00 – 11:00

BCLP  
Governor's House  
5 Laurence Pountney Hill

John Flint is the Chief Executive of the UK Infrastructure Bank and the former Group Chief Executive of HSBC.

During his 30-year career with HSBC he built a range of skills in wholesale banking, retail banking, and Treasury and risk management. He represented HSBC in 9 countries, spending much of his career in Asia. He progressed through the roles of Group Treasurer, Deputy Head of Global Markets, Chief Executive of HSBC Asset Management, and Chief Executive of Retail Banking and Wealth Management before being appointed Group Chief Executive, and Chairman of The Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

John was appointed a Member of the Independent Review Panel on Ring-Fencing Legislation and Proprietary Trading by HM Treasury in the UK in January 2021, and served as a Member of the Panel until his appointment as Chief Executive of the UK Infrastructure Bank in September 2021.



## Chris Hayward, Policy Chairman, City of London Corporation

### How is London Seeking to Attract and Retain Foreign Banks

London is facing an ongoing challenge – how can the City remain the number one financial centre in the world?

This session will hear from the City of London's Policy Chairman, Chris Hayward, on how he is actively representing the City through policy work, delegations and charitable activity, particularly with international investors and in bilateral meetings with European business leaders and policy makers.

There will be a Q&A session to enable participants to engage with Chris.

As Policy Chairman, Chris Hayward leads the City Corporation's work on policy issues affecting the UK's financial and related professional services sector as well as the Square Mile's ongoing recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic. He strengthens ties with political representatives and business leaders across London, the UK and internationally to ensure the City remains a world leading global financial centre.

His role also covers the City Corporation's responsibilities as a local authority, overseeing the governing body's open spaces, educational commitments and cultural institutions.

Throughout his career Chris Hayward has worked in the construction, aviation, infrastructure, and global events management sectors.

### Date & Location:

31 October 2023

11:30 – 13:30

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Nathanaël Benjamin, Executive Director for Authorisations, Regulatory Technology, and International Supervision, PRA

#### The UK Regulatory Landscape: The PRA Perspective

In January 2023, the PRA published their supervisory priorities for the coming year, which included: financial resilience, operational risk and resilience, risk management and governance, climate-related financial risks, diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI), regulatory reporting and data quality.

At this session, progress on these priorities will be reviewed and discussed. Participants will have the opportunity to engage directly with the PRA on the priorities and their impact on non-UK banks.

#### Date & Location:

29 November 2023  
15:00 – 17:00

BCLP  
Governor's House  
5 Laurence Pountney Hill  
London, EC4R 0BR

Nathanaël (Nat) Benjamin became Executive Director for Authorisations, Regulatory Technology, and International Supervision in October 2021. He is responsible for: the authorisation of regulatory transactions, where firms apply either to carry out PRA-regulated activities or to change the activities they undertake; RegTech: the use of technology, data and innovation in support of regulatory processes, and the supervision, as a host prudential regulator, of the UK activities of banks, custodians and designated investment firms headquartered in over 50 overseas jurisdictions.

Previously, Nat was the PRA's interim Chief Financial Officer (CFO), acting as the Executive Director in charge of the Finance & Performance directorate.