



International Meeting 2018

Tuesday 16 October

Venue: Central Hall Westminster, Storey's Gate, London, SW1H 9NH

Nearest London Underground stations: St. James's Park / Westminster

Programme

09.00 – 09.30 **Arrivals**

09.30 – 09.50 **Welcome:** Dr Greg Munro

09.50 – 10.30 **Branch panel discussion:** Integrating youth – branch benefits

Chair: Mrs Libby Ellis OAM, Regional Co-ordinator, Australia; President, RCS South Australia Branch

- Mr Dhanesh Basil, Regional Youth Co-ordinator, Asia; Director of Youth Affairs, RCS Malaysia
- Mr Hari Om Dahiya, Regional Youth Co-ordinator, India; President & Youth Chairman, The Commonwealth Students' Welfare Group of India
- Mr Blackson Olaseni Bayewumi, Country Director, The Royal Commonwealth Society, Nigeria
- Mr Terry Spiro, President, RCS Western Australia Branch

Q&A session

10.30 – 10.50 **BREAK**

10.50 – 11.30 **Branch panel discussion:** Rejuvenation and inter-generational renewal – meeting the challenges

Chair: Mr John Apea, Regional Co-ordinator, Africa

- Ms Jenny Stodola, Regional Youth Co-ordinator, Americas
- Mr Victor Ndede, Chairman-designate, RCS Kenya Branch
- Mrs Cheryll Sealy Belle, Regional Co-ordinator, Caribbean; Chair, RCS Barbados Branch
- Mr Darryl Stevens, Regional Co-ordinator, Pacific; Chair, RCS Wellington Branch

Q&A session

11.30 – 12.30 **Regional breakout groups**

Lead by RCS Regional Co-ordinators and Regional Youth Co-ordinators:

- Africa: Mr John Apea and Mr Gideon Commey
- Americas and the Caribbean: Ms Judith Elson, Ms Jenny Stodola and Mrs Cheryll Sealy Belle
- Asia: Mr Peter Mann, Mrs Shivani Wazir Pasrich, Mr Dhanesh Basil and Mr Hari Om Dahiya
- Europe: Mrs Angela Jeune and Miss Hillary Briffa
- Pacific: Mrs Libby Ellis, Mr Darryl Stevens and Mr Jack Milne

12.30 – 13.30 **LUNCH**

13.30 – 14.30 **Plenary:** Summary of regional breakout discussions

Chair: Mrs Judith Elson, Regional Co-ordinator, Americas

14.30 – 15.15 **Presentation:** Localising the Sustainable Development Goals and the Role of Cities

Ms Lucy Slack, Deputy Secretary-General, Commonwealth Local Government Forum

Q&A session

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15.15 – 15.45 **BREAK**

15.45 – 16.45 **Panel discussion:** Environmental challenges

- Ms Asia Williams, Steering Committee, Commonwealth Youth Climate Change Network
 - Mr Nathan McKenzie, QCC Lead, The Royal Commonwealth Society
 - Mr Jeff Ardron, Blue Charter Lead, Commonwealth Secretariat
- Q&A session
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18.00 – 20.30 **Event:** One People Oration and Reception, Westminster Abbey
The Rt. Hon. Patricia Scotland QC, Commonwealth Secretary-General