

# Windsor Debates

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A Conservative Peer and former Minister of State for Investment and Regulatory Reform (Oct 2022 - Jul 2024). He served as Co-Chairman of the Conservative Party from 2024 to 2025.

After graduating from Durham University, he has spent over 30 years in financial services, beginning his career at Robert Fleming in 1995, before moving to Hong Kong to work for Jardine Fleming and then in 2002, after a series of dot com startups, heading the marketing for Lloyd George Asset Management. In 2007 he co-founded Somerset Capital Management LLP an emerging markets equity specialist.

In 2020 he joined the board of the Department for International Trade as a Non-Exe Director and in Oct 2022 he was appointed as a Minister of State and Member of the House of Lords. His ministerial responsibilities focused on attracting FDI into the UK, especially in the key areas of clean energy, financial services, deep tech and life sciences. He also held responsibility for regulatory reform, specifically through the delivery of a white paper on aligning the regulatory environment and the needs of businesses, to generate economic growth.

Current roles include being on the board of Crypto data provider, Block Scholes, advising the Commonwealth Enterprise and Investment Council and in Oct 2025 he also joined the board of AI Pathfinder. In addition, he is an advisor to Equitix a mid market UK and EU Infrastructure business. He is the Chairman of the International Agreements Committee, House of Lords, since Jan 2026.



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