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**The European Single Market and the Future
of British Manufacturing**

Date: Thursday 6 June 2013

Conference: 13.15- 18.30

Dinner: 18.45 - 21.00

*Conference Venue: The Stationers' & Newspaper Makers' Company
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CONFERENCE BACKGROUND

The European Single Market and the Future of British Manufacturing

The 18th annual conference of the German-British Forum (GBF) looks at the importance of trade and the single market in Europe through the lens of manufacturing industry – in particular the thriving automotive industry in the two countries. The gathering also examines the future of the single currency as worries continue over the state of the economy, particularly in crisis-hit southern countries. Speakers from politics, academia and industry review Europe's status quo from a technological, financial and business point of view and survey Europe's perspectives in an ever-more competitive world.

The conference will consider the best way of safeguarding both countries' industrial future, through a mixture of targeted government support, technological dynamism, innovative training and effective export initiatives. A prime consideration is what the two countries can learn from each other, as well as from other global manufacturing hubs such as the US and Japan. Beyond the myriad day-to-day challenges affecting manufacturing, the conference tries to find answers to fundamental strategic questions that will determine Europe's industrial future.

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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

- 13:15** **Registration and sandwiches**
- 14:10** **Welcome remarks**
Dr. Stefan Georg , Chairman German-British Forum
Ambassador Georg Boomgaarden, German Ambassador to the UK
- 14:20** **Competitiveness challenges in the European automotive sector - German and UK approaches to industrial strategy**

Dr Klaus Peter Fouquet, President, Robert Bosch Ltd, Chairman, German-British Chamber of Industry and Commerce
Joe Greenwell, Former Chairman, Ford
Bernard Molloy, Global Industrial Logistics Director, Unipart Logistics
Konstanze Scharring, Head of Public Policy & Vehicle Legislation, Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT)
Sir Nicholas Scheele, former President, Ford Motor Company
Session chairman: Robert Bischof, Chairman UK, SCCO International Ltd & Vice-President German-British Chamber of Industry & Commerce
- 15:20** **The vital place of the single market in the new Europe**
Keynote Speech: The Rt Hon Lord Owen, former UK Foreign Secretary
Introduced by David Marsh, Deputy Chairman, German-British Forum

Q&A
- 16.00** **Refreshment break**
- 16:30** **The European economy and the importance of the single market**

Rebecca Harding, Managing Partner, Delta Economics
The Rt Hon Lord McFall of Alcluith, Member of the UK Parliamentary Commission on Banking Standards, former chair, Treasury Select Committee
The Rt Hon John Redwood, MP, Chairman of the Conservative Economic Affairs Committee
Tim Stevenson, Director of European Equities, Henderson Global Investors
Session chairman: David Smith, Economics Editor, Sunday Times
- 17:30** **The future of the euro area - What kind of Europe do we want? What kind of Europe will we get?**

Prof. Iain Begg, Professorial Research Fellow, European Institute, London School of Economics
Prof. Hans-Olaf Henkel, Member of the Supervisory Board, Continental AG, former President, Federation of German Industries (BDI)
Session chairman: David Smith, Economics Editor, Sunday Times
- 18:15** **Concluding remarks:** Dr. Stefan Georg, Chairman, German-British Forum
- 18:30** **Reception**
- 19:30** **OMFIF AND GBF JOINT GALA DINNER**
Britain, Germany, Europe and the new world economic order
Dinner Speaker: Gerhard Schröder, former Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany

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