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Introduction

Welcome to the fifth in a series of business readiness bulletins, aimed at keeping trade associations, business representative bodies and business intermediaries up to date on the latest information and guidance for business on the UK exiting the EU. The objective of this Bulletin is to signpost you to tools and resources to help you and your members prepare for a no deal Exit from the EU.

Feedback

To make sure we are providing you with the most useful information in the bulletin, we would be grateful for any feedback via a short 2-3 min [survey](#).

Business Readiness Forum

Last Thursday, 28th February, the EU Exit Business Readiness Forum covered EU/UK Funding and Public Procurement. The slides from the event and a summary of the key questions raised with answers are in the attached documents. These can be shared with your network of members.

The programme of future forums, until the end of March, is shown below. The forum meetings will also now be available through WebEx. Invites will be sent to relevant organisations under separate cover.

Business Readiness Forums: Programme to end-March



Please note that the 7th March Forum will not now include importing and exporting.

Tools & Resources

BEIS Sector Primers

These sector primers aim to bring together on one webpage the top 3 – 5 issues for each sector and provide guidance. The primers link through to more detailed material elsewhere on gov.uk. A final batch have now been published, please could you pass on to stakeholders and ask them to cascade through their networks. The sectors covered are:

- **NEW** Life Sciences Sector: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-life-sciences-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- **NEW** Nuclear Sector: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-nuclear-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- **NEW** Parcel Delivery Services: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/parcel-delivery-services-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- **NEW** Mining and Non-metal Manufacturing: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/mining-the-manufacturing-of-non-metals-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Steel: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/steel-and-other-metal-manufacturing-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Chemicals: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-chemicals-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Professional & Business Services: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-professional-and-business-services-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Electronics, Machinery & Parts : <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-electronics-machinery-and-parts-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Space Sector: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-space-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Consumer Goods: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-consumer-goods-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Automotive: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-automotive-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Aerospace: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-aerospace-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Retail: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-retail-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>

- Oil and Gas Production: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/oil-and-gas-production-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Gas Markets: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/gas-markets-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Electricity incl. Renewables: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-electricity-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- Research & Innovation: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-science-research-and-innovation-sector-and-preparing-for-a-no-deal-eu-exit>
- Construction and Housing: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-construction-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>

DEFRA Sector Primers

- **NEW** Fisheries Sector: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-fisheries-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- **NEW** Food and Drink: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-food-and-drink-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>
- **NEW** Farming: <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-farming-sector-and-preparing-for-eu-exit>

Assessment of the Implications for Business and International Trade of No Deal

DExEU published a document that explains the Government's latest assessment of the implications for business and international trade in the UK, if it leaves the EU without a deal on 29 March:

[Implications for Business and Trade of a No Deal Exit](#)

Providing services to EEA and EFTA countries after EU Exit - Guidance for UK businesses on EU service provision if the UK leaves the EU with no deal.

If the UK leaves the EU on 29 March 2019 with no deal, UK businesses will no longer operate under European Economic Area (EEA) regulations for the cross-border trade of services. This means that the rights and protections provided by the EU Directives and EU Treaty Rights of Freedom of Movement and Freedom of Establishment will no longer apply to the UK.

UK businesses will no longer be treated as if they were local businesses, and UK businesses and professionals providing services in the EEA will be regarded as originating from a 'third country'. UK firms and service providers may face additional legal, regulatory and administrative barriers as a result.

Therefore, you should check the regulations in the EU/EEA states in which you operate to understand the new rules with which you would need to comply. To assist with this, we have produced country guides that contain information and links to help businesses navigate the third country regulations in each country: [Providing Services to EEA and EFTA Countries after EU Exit](#)

British Library Business and IP Centre Network Webinars

We are joining up with the British Library's Business and IP Centre Network to put on a series of webinars, starting next week, to help businesses understand possible changes after the UK leaves the EU that may affect them and to help them prepare. The webinars will appear on the British Library's events page **over the next couple of days** – participants will need to register in advance through their website: <https://www.bl.uk/events>. If you have not been able to attend the weekly

forums, the webinars will be covering similar topics and will give you a chance to hear from expert speakers. There will also be an opportunity for Q&A. The draft schedule is below and will be confirmed shortly:

Date	Title
Mon 11 th March – 11-12	Preparing for Brexit: Workforce and People
Tues 12 th March – 10-11am	Preparing for Brexit: Regulations and Standards
Thurs 14 th March – 11-12	Preparing for Brexit: Digital and Data
Tues 19 th March – 12-1	Preparing for Brexit: Business Legal Requirements
Wed 20 th March – 11-12	Preparing for Brexit: Intellectual Property
(TBC)	Preparing for Brexit: EU/UK Funding and Public Procurement
(TBC)	Preparing for Brexit: Importing and Exporting

Recent Announcements



Importing and Exporting

DfT updated guidance on trailer registration: [Trailer Registration](#)

DHSC updated on medicines and medical products supply as we exit the EU: [Update on Medicines and Medical Products Supply as we Exit the EU](#)

DIT published their response to a call for evidence on trade remedies: the next steps, including which trade remedies will be maintained, and which terminated: [EU Trade Remedy Measures Final Findings](#)

DIT published a policy paper on processes for making free trade agreements once the UK has left the EU: [Processes for Making Free Trade Agreements once the UK has Left the EU](#)

HMRC issued a press release that urges business owners to make sure they are ready for no deal: [HMRC Urges Business Owners to Make Sure they are Ready for No Deal](#)

HMRC published an impact assessment for the movement of goods if the UK leaves the EU without a deal: [Impact Assessment for the Movement of Goods if the UK Leaves the EU Without a Deal](#)

HMRC published an impact assessment for the VAT treatment of low value parcels: [Impact Assessment for the VAT Treatment of Low Value Parcels](#)

HMRC updated the partnership pack: preparing for changes at the UK border after a no deal EU exit: [Partnership Pack Preparing for a No Deal EU Exit](#)

HMRC updated the letters on no deal Brexit advice for businesses only trading with the EU: [No Deal Brexit Advice for Businesses only Trading with the EU](#)

HMRC published guidance on the list of controlled goods for transitional simplified procedures: [List of Controlled Goods for Transitional Simplified Procedures](#)

HMRC updated Statutory Instruments relating to Customs, Excise and VAT and the UK's withdrawal from the EU: [Statutory Instruments Relating to EU Exit](#)



Regulations and Standards

DEFRA updated guidance on food labelling changes after Brexit: [Food Labelling Changes after Brexit](#)

DfT published guidance on vehicle type-approval if there's no Brexit deal: [Vehicle Type Approval if there is No Brexit Deal](#)

DHSC published the consultation response on The Nutrition (Amendment) (EU Exit) Regulations 2018: [Consultations the Nutrition Amendment EU Exit Regulations](#)

MHCLG updated guidance on Construction Products Regulation if there is no Brexit deal: [Construction Products Regulation if there is No Brexit Deal](#)

MHRA issued guidance on how to make submissions to the MHRA if the UK leaves the EU with no deal: [Regulatory Medicines Submissions to the MRHA](#)

MHRA updated guidance on regulating medical devices in the event of a no deal scenario: [Regulating Medical Devices in a No Deal Scenario](#)

MHRA updated guidance and publications on a possible no deal scenario: [MHRA Guidance-and Publications on a No Deal Scenario](#)

MHRA updated guidance on the regulation of medicines, medical devices and clinical trials if there's no Brexit deal: [Regulation of Medicines Medical Devices and Clinical Trials if there is No Brexit Deal](#)



Workforce and People

FCO updated guidance for UK nationals living in the EU: [Advice for British Nationals Travelling and Living in Europe](#)

HO updated guidance on the EU Settlement Scheme: Assisted Digital service: [EU Settlement Scheme Assisted Digital Service](#)

HO updated guidance on the EU Settlement Scheme: ID document scanner locations: [EU Settlement Scheme ID Document Scanner Locations](#)

HO updated guidance on staying in the UK for longer than 3 months if there's no Brexit deal: [European Temporary Leave to Remain in the UK](#)



Energy & Climate

BEIS updated guidance on meeting climate change requirements if there's no Brexit deal: [Climate Change Requirements if there is No Brexit Deal](#)

BEIS updated guidance on exporting nuclear-related items after the UK leaves the EU: [Exporting Nuclear Related Items After the UK Leaves the EU](#)



Intellectual Property

IPO published guidance on changes to trade mark law if the UK leaves the EU without a deal: [Trade Mark Law if the UK Leaves the EU Without a Deal](#)

IPO updated guidance on IP and Brexit: [IP and Brexit the Facts](#)



EU & UK Funding

BEIS updated guidance on European Territorial Cooperation funding if there's no Brexit deal: [European Territorial Cooperation Funding if there is No Brexit Deal](#)



Public Procurement

CMA updated guidance on their state aid role if there's no Brexit deal: [The CMAs State Aid Role if there is No Brexit Deal](#)

DIT published guidance for UK businesses on the bidding process for overseas government procurement contracts covered by the GPA if the UK leaves the EU with no deal: [Government Procurement Agreement UK Participation after EU Exit](#)

Other

You can sign up to receive email alerts about Brexit on Gov.UK: [Brexit E-mail Alerts](#)

Prime Minister's Office published the PM's statement to the House of Commons: 26 February 2019: [PM Statement 26 February 2019](#)

Triage Tool

Gov.uk has an online tool to help businesses prepare for the UK leaving the EU. Businesses can use the [Triage Tool](#) to find out:

- what their business may need to do to prepare for the UK leaving the EU
- what's changing in their sector
- information on specific rules and regulations

Businesses will need to answer 7 simple questions to get guidance relevant to their business.

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