**APM Manchester Fellows Forum - agenda**

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| **Timing**  | **Session**  | **Speaker**  | **Session objectives**  |
| 1pm  | **Warm up and goals for the day**  | Henry Aldridge, CBI Head of Trade Associations  | * Raise energy and interest of participants
* Outline objectives for the day and link to business success
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| 1.10pm -1.50pm | **The current context – Politics and Brexit** | Callum Biggins, CBI Head of Campaigns  | * Better understand the current political environment and decisions that are likely to arise
* Think more about the challenges and opportunities that the UK’s withdrawal from the EU will present for business and learn more about how businesses in different sectors are preparing
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| 1.50-2.30pm  | **UK and global economic outlook: what to expect in 2019/20** | Anna Leach, CBI Head of Economic Intelligence  | * Learn more about the economic outlook domestically and globally including sector outlooks and key issues
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| 2.30-2.50pm  | **Coffee and discussion** |  | * Reflect on the content from the first sessions
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| 2.50-3.30pm  | **Current UK climate for technology and innovation** | Roxanne Morison, CBI Head of Digital  | * Think about the environment for digital and tech adoption and the discussion between business and government on how the UK can be a global leader on developing and adopting new technology
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| 3.30-4.10pm  | **A delve into devolution – challenges and opportunities**  | Jim Hubbard, CBI Head of Regional Policy | * To review the progress of the Industrial Strategy
* Explore the challenges and opportunities presented to business and its on the ground impact
* Look ahead to the CBI’s priorities for 2019 in making the Industrial Strategy work for business:
* Grand Challenges
* Local Industrial Strategies
* Sector Deals
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| 4.10-4.30pm  | **Wrap up and key takeaways**  | Henry Aldridge, CBI Head of Trade Associations | * Take any final questions on topics covered
* Highlight key learnings and questions for further thought
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| 4.30pm | **Drinks reception**  |  |  |