

Small Firms' Summit 2010

Thursday 18 February 2010,
Burnley Campus of University of Central Lancashire

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The Small Firms' Summit will give owners and senior directors of private businesses an unrivalled opportunity to express views and concerns to major decision-makers. All this is in addition to exploring the Government's policies on smaller companies, including red tape and regulations.

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Programme:

- 12.45 Coffee, tea, and biscuits on arrival. Registration
- 13.30 Summit opens. Welcome by Len Collinson and opening by Graham Baldwin, Pro Vice Chancellor of the University of Central Lancashire
- 13.45 Robert Craven (Managing Director of the Directors' Centre)
- 14.30 Discussions at tables of ten, each with a facilitator. Set questions and consequential reports
- 15.30 Break
- 16.00 Tony Barnes (Chief Executive of bglobal)
- 16.45 Conclusions (Jim Hancock) and then closure by Peter Watson, Managing Director, Business Link Northwest
- 17.00 Final comment by Len Collinson and into networking
- 17.30 End.

Speakers at the Small Firms' Summit 2010



Robert Craven

Currently Managing Director of the Directors' Centre. In his time, he has run restaurants, management training companies and sound recording studios. Robert was described as the 'entrepreneurship guru' by The Financial Times.



Tony Barnes

Tony was a globe-trotting TV news reporter, presenter and best-selling author until he caught the bug of running businesses. Now he is Chief Executive of bglobal plc, a fast-growing and AIM-listed company in Darwin that is a leader in smart metering. bglobal overcame the credit crunch and in the first half of 2009 grew by more than 115%. TV-man to meter-man ... now there's a story.



Jim Hancock (host)

Jim has thirty years' experience as a political editor and broadcaster for both Granada TV and the BBC. From 1998 to 2006 he was the BBC's political editor in the North West, reporting for the nightly news programme and presenting the regional section of the BBC's Politics Show each Sunday.

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Graham Baldwin, Pro Vice-Chancellor, University of Central Lancashire

Len Collinson DL, Chairman, Private Sector Partners

Peter Watson, Managing Director, Business Link Northwest

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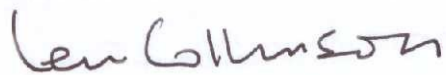


A message from the PSP's Chairman, Len Collinson DL:

"This is the first ever Small Firms' Summit in the North West. Here is a unique chance to meet other owner-managers and senior directors and explore topics of common interest. You will consider approaches for taking your business forward to its next stage and top tips for better management. I hope you will express your opinions on the Government's policies relating to, for example, regulation and red tape. The result, will be sent to decision-makers and influencers.

The University of Central Lancashire's campus in Burnley is a brand new building with excellent facilities. A matter of local pride. Business Link Northwest has been a kind and patient sponsor.

There has been huge interest in this special gathering. The number of places is limited. Please be sure of yours by completing the registration form. I look forward to welcoming you on 18 February."



Len Collinson DL
Chairman, The Private Sector Partners



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