

## Worries for UK fishermen

**T**heresa May's dire Withdrawal deal is tantamount to a second surrender of Britain's fishing given the desperate situation it will put Britain's fishing in. It presents not only an existential threat to our nations fishing industry, but also to the survival of our entire nation.

Under this dire deal Britain will re-obey all EU law for the Transition period of up to 4 years. However, we will have no say or veto, meaning Britain will be a gagged EU satellite. Bound under Article 5 of the Withdrawal Agreements terms of 'good faith' to enforce whatever laws Brussels decrees. It is worse than membership despite the British people instructing our elected representatives to Leave.

We will re-obey all EU laws that we have just left in a new internationally binding treaty. Effectively re-joining the EU and disastrous Common Fisheries Policy (CFP) on membership minus. Unlike any international treaty before, sickeningly this one has no escape clause, as the governments own attorney general has clearly stated, there is no way out. Britain will be over a barrel with no escape.

This will allow the EU to enforce any detrimental legislation to cripple and cull what's left of the British industry. They have every incentive to do so. Under international law (UNCLOS Article 62.2) if a coastal state does not have the capacity to harvest all its resources then it **shall** give the 'surplus' to its neighbour. This is not conjecture, EU documents recognise this situation.

The EU would be free to cull what's left of our fleet by;

**Slashing quotas Britain is**

**dependent upon** – Article 130 of the Withdrawal Agreement says current percentage based 'Relative Stability Shares' (ones that are hugely imbalanced against Britain) shall be maintained, but, the EU can slash quota tonnages for species the UK is dependent on – 100% of zero tons is zero.

**Abolishing the 12nm limit** – that protects British inshore fishermen & nursery grounds. Why would the EU buy UK shellfish predominantly harvested within 12 miles when EU vessels would be free to catch it?

**Bartering UK resources in international swaps** – using British resources that will be under EU jurisdiction as negotiating capital whilst we have no say.

**Fully Enforcing the ill-founded Discard Ban** – Worst of all they can enforce the ill-founded discard ban which addresses the discard symptom rather than the cause which is the rules of the EU quota system. Fishermen cannot determine which species they will catch and are forced to discard up to half their catch which they have no quota for. Under the discard ban vessels must stop fishing upon exhausting their lowest quota. This means they will have to tie up early. Government agency Seafish estimates half the British fleet will go bust.

Therefore, May's dire deal is a suicide pill to our industry as many won't survive 4 years of the above.

To make it worse the Withdrawal Agreement in Article 184 says the UK and EU should look to agree the Future Relationship. For fishing that is one based on;

The principle of 'non-discrimination – the founding tenant

of equal access to a common resource.' On a 'level playing field' – the only way to ensure a 'level playing field' is to have the same rules, no doubt those of the CFP.

AND it's to be bartered as part "of the overall economic partnership." – setting fishing up to be traded for wider economic pressure by the EU.

Under the original draft Future Relationship (Part X11 Points 73-76) it stated it should "build on, inter alia, existing reciprocal access and quota shares". Tying Britain to the same dire and exploitative arrangement as now where the EU catches over half Britain's resources. No doubt the EU will circle back round to bludgeoning a compliant and complicit British establishment to this

If the UK won't agree to any Future Relationship terms the EU demands then we are shoveled into the Backstop. Britain either agrees to the draft Future Relationship or has Northern Ireland partitioned from the rest of our nation.

The only way out the Backstop is to agree the Future Relationship – it's a total turkey trap where the EU can set any terms. Mr Macrons made it quite clear that British fishing and Gibraltar are first for the chop when the EU wields the backstop axe. The UK is being lined up to be driven into CFP associate membership.

Given Whitehall's supine performance so far, with every red line crossed, there is little faith that there would be resistance against the EU using the Backstop and Future Relationship clauses – ones already agreed to by Whitehall – to ensnare the UK in CFP associate membership.

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MPs may be wheeled out to blow bubbles at fishermen assuring them the government will not surrender fishing. However – the big question is if there is never any intention to surrender fishing why has it been allowed to be sucked into such a position of vulnerability? Why was it ever capitulated on to fishing being put in the Transition in the first place to lead us to this threadbare point?

The government is trying to hide behind “the UK will be an independent state”. We may officially be, **but**, we will be an independent state that’s chosen to be shackled to the

EU for up to 4 years in the Transition.

We don’t need a deal to leave. We leave under Article 50 clause of the “treaties ceasing to apply” as agreed by the EU and as legislated in parliament. Mays dire deal is a treasonous sell out designed to envelop Britain into being a permanent EU satellite. It completely and brazenly spits in the face of the largest vote in British history undermining the entire foundations government by consent is built on.

MPs must not vote this dire deal through for the sake of our nation and our democracy. Everyone must lobby their MP to vote it down.

The government and many MPs

aren’t even paying lip service to Brexit any more they are in open revolt against it. If they don’t honour the vote and their promises and let this country be free on the current 29th March (*now 12th April*) deadline, they will shake the democratic political settlement of this country to the core.

To vote this deal through when it has been made clear how damaging it would be – especially to an industry as totemic as fishing in the public consciousness – would not be forgiven at the ballot box.

Source: *Save Britain’s Fish* article by Njordr AB - [www.ffl.org.uk](http://www.ffl.org.uk)

## Not to be forgotten - How those who tried to expose the real facts within the EU were treated!

Rodney Atkinson

**R**odney has recently repeated his 2013 article because he thinks it explains why the UK is finding it so difficult to leave the EU.

“...It shows how even our own democratic institutions and the police collaborated in covering up the EU corruption which these four whistleblowers sought to expose. They and their families suffered disgraceful abuse as a result. House raids, personal threats, intimidation of family, photos displayed as if they were wanted criminals, taken to see firearms which could threaten their lives... there is no evil to which this corrupt fascist European Union has not sunk. We now see the effects in Britain where parliamentary systems and constitutional rules are set aside and Remainers use fascist intimidatory tactics. Read again about these “**FOUR BRAVE MEN**”

So, as in all Orwellian nightmares it is the reporter of crimes who is arrested or persecuted and the real criminals are not even investigated never mind put on trial. Such is the fascist nature of the European Union and of the European Governments which kow-tow to its

anti democratic power.

**Paul van Buitenen**, was a senior member of the EU’s own Audit Commission when he revealed facts about the £6,000 million losses in the EU budget due to fraud and mismanagement. He was threatened by Commission employees and taken to view guns stored on Commission premises – very subtle!

**Bernard Connolly**, who was Head of the Commission department responsible for working on the introduction of the Euro, and who wrote the book “*The Rotten Heart of Europe*” was excluded from Commission buildings, his picture was put up in public corridors, he was ordered, illegally, not to leave the country, his phone was tapped, his wife was followed in the street and received many nuisance telephone calls and his house was broken into. In other words a deliberate programme of vicious intimidation by those European Institutions which David Cameron thinks are essential to Britain’s future!

**Hans Martin Tillack**, a Journalist for the German magazine *Stern*, published material exposing corruption

in the European Commission’s statistical office, Euro-Stat. Belgian police seized documents and his computer in raids on his home and office in March 2004. The well-known Brussels reporter said he was interrogated for hours without being granted contact with anybody and his treatment sparked worldwide condemnation from media and journalists’ organisations. Aiden White of the European Federation of Journalists said: “The commission makes unsubstantiated allegations against a reporter and then gets access to his confidential files which potentially compromise anyone who has talked to him. It is a shocking denial of justice to journalists and their sources”. It was not until 2009 that Tillack was eventually exonerated when he was awarded 10,000 Euros damages and 30,000 Euros costs by the Belgian Government. It was not the only time that heavy handed, not to say oppressive, actions of the Belgian Police did the dirty work for the Commission”.

Source: [www.freenations.org.uk](http://www.freenations.org.uk)

# Conclusion of a report on May's plan

Martin Howe QC

Prior to the 29th March withdrawal date, Martin Howe concluded the following from an extensive report he produced on Theresa May's proposed withdrawal plan.

"The threats of an Article 50 extension have created a dilemma which worries many committed Brexit supporters. I understand those worries. An emotional response is to just grab onto the deal, even if it is horrible, in order to "get Brexit delivered".

But at this critical time it is vital that our MPs should vote not just on emotion but after looking very carefully at the legal as well as the political consequences of the courses of action.

The deal does not deliver Brexit except in name. Not only does it not deliver Brexit, it also makes it impossible for a future Prime Minister to deliver a real Brexit as well, for many years to come or indefinitely. The momentary relief from some Leave supporters at nominally leaving the EU is sure to turn to anger, disillusionment and blame when it becomes clearer and clearer that Brexit has not been delivered, and that the Conservative Party in particular – including the Brexiteers – has failed to deliver real Brexit and has delivered a locked-in fake Brexit instead.

But if the deal is rejected, the most likely outcome is that we get out on the proposed date with the referendum

objectives achieved of taking back control of our laws, our borders, our trade and our money. Please see the excellent article by Christopher Howarth which explains why it is so difficult for Remainers to force through an Article 50 extension in the remaining few days if the deal is rejected again.

It was bound to get rough as we approach the point of actually leaving the EU. Now is not the time to lose our nerve and back a gravely damaging deal which would betray Brexit supporters and be very bad for the country. Contrary to the Prime Minister's contention that it is patriotic to support her deal, the patriotic thing to do is to throw it out again."

## Jobs for Russians in European Parliament

We now hear that Elizaveta Peskova, the daughter of Vladimir Putin's spokesman Dmitry Peskova is now working in the

European Parliament as a "trainee" for the French MEP Auyméric Chauprade.

Many may be surprised by this but as Germany is so dependent on Russia

for its energy supplies it makes sense. At least it keeps Germany and France on the same page with regard to their ties with Russia.

## Religion and the euro

The Romanian government prepared a National Plan in Bucharest in the autumn to adopt the

EU single currency (euro) for 2024. This has now been announced to their citizens in March.

In order to inform the public it has decided to ask Priests to help with this process.

## Hungary and EU immigration

Poster's in Hungary depicting the president of the European Commission Mr Jean-Claude Juncker alongside George Soros, the billionaire

philanthropist with the slogan, "You have the right to know what Brussels is doing" regarding immigration have upset the European People's Party

(EPP). Following Hungarian prime minister Victor Orbán accusation that Juncker and Soros of plotting to flood Europe with refugees.

## UK migration

We are constantly told by the pro-EU lobby that EU open borders are good for the UK economy because we need foreign workers. However, Brexit has had no effect on the number of people who wish to come and work in the UK. The only difference being that they come from outside the EU.

According to the Office for National Statistics (ONS) in the year ending

September 2018 there were 261,000 more non EU citizens coming to live in the UK than left, the highest net migration figures for 15 years.

The overall net migration into the UK remained broadly unchanged from the previous year at 283,000.

Figures also show that EU net migration continues to fall and has dropped to 57,000.

Meanwhile, the overall number of people arriving in the UK to study has increased, with non-EU student immigration at its highest level since 2011.

Therefore, the argument that businesses need to employ foreign workers for economic benefit, just means workers paid a living wage will always be available.

# A possibly easier exit strategy

## *The Bruges Group*

**I**s a two-stage withdrawal the only sensible option, one that defers economic issues so as to focus on the more important political withdrawal.

Two-stage withdrawal recognises that the EU is fundamentally a two-headed beast: there is the political EU, and then there is the economic EU. At its core, the proposal is very simple. We leave the political EU, paying nothing at this stage other than subscriptions to those organisations we wish to continue to be a part of. For the time being, we remain full members of the single market (by virtue of our existing membership of the EEA) and the customs union. In the years that follow, we negotiate a different economic relationship with the EU-27 without the constraint of any looming deadline, *and only at the conclusion of those talks do we sweeten the deal with financial support.*

Very little is certain about negotiations between the UK and the EU-27. Just one thing. Withholding payment is the only way to focus the mind of the EU on what the UK wants in the way of a future relationship.

If the UK wishes to remain in the single market requires nobody's consent. Joining does; remaining does not. If the Government wishes to pause the trade negotiations and maintain the economic *status quo* so as to avoid dislocation to business, while still withdrawing from the political EU, it may do so unilaterally, without requiring anybody's permission.

The EEA (the single market) is an entity which exists parallel to but distinct from the EU. This is clear because when in 2004 the Central and Eastern European nations joined the EU, there was a flurry of signings of the EEA Agreement quite separate from the accession ceremonies. The existing members of the EU, including the UK, consented to the new nations joining the EEA by countersigning the Agreement as sovereign nations, merely noting their membership of the

EU beneath each signature. The EU as an entity did not sign in place of the member states.

The EU and the EEA are also known to be distinct and separate entities, not directly linked or dependent on each other, because of the peculiar status of Croatia. EU accession talks concluded in June 2011. But Croatia did not start EEA accession talks until September 2012. As a result when Croatia joined the EU on 1st July 2013 it was not yet ready to join the EEA, in spite of the fact that all EU members are required to be members of the Single Market via the EEA. So, by special decree of the EU Commission, since May 2014 Croatia has been merely "participating provisionally" in the Single Market while awaiting formal ratification of its joining by the parliaments of all the members of the EEA and others. By June 2017, the EEA Agreement had still been ratified by only 17 of the 32 parties.

The UK is presently a member of the EEA. Because the EEA is separate from the EU, leaving the EU does not of itself remove the UK from the EEA or Single Market. So, if the UK leaves the EU without a deal, the UK can default to pure Single Market membership if it does not wish to go all the way to WTO terms straightaway. For it is accepted that it is possible to continue participating in the Single Market without being a member of the EU, EFTA or EEA because this is the solution the EU Commission has proposed for the microstates, Andorra, Monaco and San Marino. Like Croatia, the UK can declare that it is "participating provisionally" in the Single Market.

We hear repeatedly from Michel Barnier, Donald Tusk and others that the four freedoms (movement of goods, services, capital and labour) are immutable. This is completely untrue. The fourth freedom used to be much more restrictive. It was changed in 2004 by the Citizens' Rights Directive. This change shows that nothing in EU

legislation is necessarily carved in stone. If the new version of the fourth freedom is too lax, the previous version (Article 28) can be reinstated, if the member states so agree. For in the EU, we find that the four freedoms are only immutable if the proposed change is something disliked by the integrationist EU Commission.

Article 28 is a sensible compromise which returns control of immigration to member states except in the case where a business specifically makes a job offer to an EU citizen. Business gets the flexibility it wants: government gets a means to stop the unemployed drifting over on the off-chance of finding work later.

According to Article 28:

1. Freedom of movement for workers shall be secured among EC Member States and EFTA States.

2. Such freedom of movement shall entail the abolition of any discrimination based on nationality between workers of EC Member States and EFTA States as regards employment, remuneration and other conditions of work and employment.

3. It shall entail the right, subject to limitations justified on grounds of public policy, public security or public health:

(a) to accept offers of employment actually made;

(b) to move freely within the territory of EC Member States and EFTA States for this purpose;

(c) to stay in the territory of an EC Member State or an EFTA State for the purpose of employment in accordance with the provisions governing the employment of nationals of that State laid down by law, regulation or administrative action;

(d) to remain in the territory of an EC Member State or an EFTA State after having been employed there.

4. The provisions of this Article shall not apply to employment in the public service.

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5. Annex V contains specific provisions on the free movement of workers.

Because of the lax Citizens' Rights Directive, freedom of movement now is commonly referred to as "of people". But, as the first words of Article 28 remind us, it was always intended to be only "of workers", a subtly different thing.

Article 28 defines three significant limitations on the freedom of movement of labour.

First, the freedom is "*subject to limitations justified on the grounds of public policy*". Second, and most importantly, the right is "*to accept offers of employment actually made*", not to merely turn up and hope to find a job after arrival. And third, the freedom "*shall not apply to employment in the public service*". (though of course it can do if the state so chooses, for example in the NHS).

Together, these three limitations offered very substantial controls on immigration. And note that these controls are over and above the infamous 'emergency brake' that so bedevilled Cameron's negotiations. The 'emergency brake' is found at Article 112 Paragraph 1.

On 7th February 2018 Professor Yarrow confirmed to the Commons Committee on Exiting the European Union that remaining in the EEA (Single Market) via an EFTA-like Association Agreement which replaces the Citizens' Rights Directive with Article 28 of the EFTA-EA Agreement "ticks all the major Leave boxes".

What what the Government should have been doing these past months is lobby member states to reintroduce Article 28 for the whole of the EU. Hungary and Austria would certainly welcome a return to greater national control, and any nation with a growing eurosceptic movement would likely also support the move, seeing an electoral advantage in consigning the Citizens' Rights Directive to the dustbin of history.

## Northern Ireland

The border between Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland appears to be such an intractable issue only because the negotiators are stuck in a groove, each unable to see beyond Establishment ideas of one-dimensional borders, each unable to think outside the box.

The solution could be to create a two-dimensional border. A two-dimensional border is one where different borderlines mean different things to different people.

Here, it means having three partial borders instead of one unitary border: a second *partial* border between the Republic of Ireland and the Continent, and a third *partial* border in the Irish Sea. Between the two outer borders, the island of Ireland becomes a Special Economic Zone.

It works like this:

The existing border between the Irish Republic and Northern Ireland becomes a customs border *only* for vehicles registered in neither the Irish Republic nor Northern Ireland (thus protecting the spirit of the Good Friday Agreement). Citizens of the Irish Republic, Northern Ireland and Britain on foot or in cars pass freely under the terms of the existing Common Travel Area;

The new border between the Irish Republic and the rest of the European Union is a customs border *only* for citizens and vehicles registered in Northern Ireland or Britain;

The new border between Northern Ireland and Britain (i.e. in the Irish Sea) is a customs border *only* for commercial vehicles registered in the Irish Republic. Citizens of the Irish Republic on foot or in cars pass freely under the terms of the existing Common Travel Area.

The critical element of the third paragraph is that the new partial border in the Irish Sea does not affect citizens and businesses in Northern Ireland. For them, it is not a border at all. It is invisible, thus satisfying DUP

concerns.

The new Special Economic Zone will allow citizens and businesses based in the Irish Republic and Northern Ireland to ignore the Irish border exactly as at present. The Irish border becomes a hard border only for commercial vehicles from outside the island of Ireland. Tariffs are not applied to intra-island trade (i.e. trade originating and ending in the island of Ireland).

Implementation is straight forward. At or close to the Irish border, the number plates of commercial vehicles registered to businesses (using trusted trader rules) in the Irish Republic and Northern Ireland are used by Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) cameras to confirm their right to pass freely, in exactly the same way as payment of the London Congestion charge is checked. There are no barriers. Vehicles are not stopped at the border.

Thus the proposal using Borderline resolves the Irish issue by separating a conventional border into three strands. It is as if two giant hands have grasped the Irish border and stretched it north and south, to create between the two outer strands not no-man's-land but Irish-land.

What goes on in the island of Ireland is a bilateral issue. The doctrine of subsidiarity should ensure that the EU accepts whatever mutually beneficial agreement the two nations come to (though unfortunately the EU's record on complying with its own doctrine is very poor). The success of the Le Touquet agreement on Calais shows what can be achieved when good will on both sides creates a flexible attitude to a line on the map.

Note: 1) Article 28

<http://www.efta.int/legal-texts/eea>

Note: 2) This post is an abridged version of the major points made in *Exit Strategy, Emergency Exit, The Art of the Possible, and Borderline Sanity*. For a fuller description see: <http://www.brugesgroup.com>

# LETTERS

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## Defence

Dear Sir,

I read the letter headed Defence (*euofacts* February 2019) from Richard Evans with considerable interest.

In the *Sunday Telegraph* 3rd March 2109, an article by Iain Duncan Smith headed, For too long we have swallowed lies about the EU, followed by, Brexit should bring a return to honest politics - but even as we approach departure, the deceit continues. His opening lines are a quote of Lord Thorneycroft made in 1947 about plans for a European Union, "The people must be led slowly and unconsciously into the abandonment of their traditional economic defences, not asked".

Or perhaps a more pertinent quote is that of Arnold Toynbee from 1931, "I will merely repeat that we are at present working discreetly but with all our might, to wrest this mysterious political force called sovereignty out of the clutches of the local national states of our world. And all the time we are denying with our lips what we are doing with our hands".

MRS JOSÉ O'WARE  
Norfolk

## Education

Dear Sir,

At the time of writing, there is still great uncertainty surrounding Brexit, including (thanks to numerous traitors and quislings in Parliament) the possibility of "a second Referendum".

We would be utterly stupid if we failed to prepare for *all* possibilities (including the above), and if there is one really important thing that needs to be done to diminish support for the Remainer sell-outs, it is to educate *young* people on the issues at stake.

Those who were not born, or had not experienced adult life, prior to the UK deserting EFTA and joining the EU's

predecessor, the EEC, have no conception of how much cheaper food prices were before we joined. or how many of our manufacturing companies (motorcycles, cars, lorries, buses, airframes. aero-engines, cranes, railway locomotives, industrial engines, shipyards, etc) have disappeared since, taking tens of thousands of jobs with them. While, France, Germany and certain other EU countries somehow get away with providing covert subsidies to keep *their* manufactures in business, and *their* people in employment.

Voting to remain tied to the EU in any way is very much like turkeys voting for Christmas; and Brexit campaigns need to emphasize this to young people, since *their* future is going to be far more greatly damaged than that of older people like the undersigned.

ROGER ENSKAT  
London

## Parliament's failure

Dear Sir,

Over the last three years we have witnessed the slow breakdown of the UK parliament over Brexit.

The inability of parliament to act as requested by the electorate that put them into office is to say the least sad. But actually it is worse than that it has created the breakdown of trust by the electorate for the parliament itself.

Democracy is the biggest loser as the public have now come to realise that parliament no longer has any respect for the public that it pretends to represent. Furthermore, that even their manifesto commitments have no bearing on what they actually will do if elected to office.

Voting for any of the current political parties - and most of the MPs themselves - who are all paying lip-service to those who put them into office has now being shown to be pointless and the idea of democracy

has died. We now live in a country that has a parliamentary system more like a communist form of rule. All those in office just act for their own personal agenda with no regard for the general public or their wants and desires.

The 2016 Brexit referendum has shown the voters just how bad our current political elites have become. Surely the time has come for those who do not wish to serve their electorate to stand down from office and relinquish their inflated titles as they are not fit to be referred to as "Honourable", "Sir" or "Dame".

DAVID CHARLES  
Manchester

## Kenneth Clarke

Dear Sir,

Yet again we see one of the most prominent pro-EU supporter Kenneth Clarke MP trying to keep the UK under the direct control of the EU and its future aims.

He said before the last election that he would not be standing for re-election, but after the referendum result he changed his mind, clearly he did so to stop the will of those who voted to leave the EU to be stopped from ever doing so.

The idea he has promoted that of staying in a customs union with the EU demonstrates just how blinkered or some would say device and self-serving he really is.

LINDA DAY  
Coventry

## Just leave!

Dear Sir,

The time has come to accept that the EU and the UK will never agree sensible terms on an exit strategy and the most sensible way forward for the UK is just to leave possibly saving some of the £39 billion divorce bill.

RICHARD STYLES  
Cornwall

# MEETINGS

**Campaign for an Independent Britain (CIB)**  
0116 2874 622

Saturday **13th April**

AGM 11.00 am  
Meeting 2.00 - 6.00 pm

Further details including full list of speakers to be announced

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
Royal Over-Seas League, Royal Over-Seas House, 6 Park Place, St James's Street, London  
**Admission Free**

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**Gresham College**  
020 7831 0575

Wednesday **24th April**, 6.00 pm

*"Does Finance Benefit Society?"*

**Alex Edmans**, *Gresham Professor of Business*

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
The Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2  
**Admission Free**

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**Gresham College**  
020 7831 0575

Tuesday **30th April**, 6.00 pm

*"The Intertwined Impacts of Pollution and Inequality on Health"*

**Jacqueline McGlade**, *Jackson Professor of the Environment*

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
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**Admission Free**

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*"Is There Danger Ahead With AI"*

**Yorick Wilks**, *Visiting Professor of AI*

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
The Museum of London, London Wall, London EC2  
**Admission Free**

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**The Economic Research Council**

Wednesday **12th June**, 6.30 pm

Title - *"To be announced"*

**Elizabeth Truss MP**, *Chief Secretary to the Treasury*

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
Royal Overseas League, Royal Overseas House, 6 Park Place, St James's Street, London SW1A 1LR  
**Admission by ticket**  
(Non-ERC members £15 - Students £10)  
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## DIARY OF EVENTS

At the time of going to press  
Current Official date **12th April**  
for completion of  
Article 50 negotiations  
between the UK and the EU  
and start of a possible 'Transition Deal' due to end in December 2020

EU post-Brexit Summit **May**  
Sibiu, Romania

EU MEP elections **23rd-26th May**

Finland takes over **1st July**  
EU Council Presidency

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### 2020

Croatia takes over **1st January**  
EU Council Presidency

Germany takes over **1st July**  
Council Presidency

Should May's deal pass!  
Current Official date **31st December**  
for completion of EU/UK Transition

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## USEFUL WEB SITES

**British Constitution Group**  
[www.britishconstitutiongroup.com](http://www.britishconstitutiongroup.com)

**British Future**  
[www.britishfuture.org](http://www.britishfuture.org)

**British Weights & Measures Assoc.**  
[www.bwmaonline.com](http://www.bwmaonline.com)

**Bruges Group**  
[www.brugesgroup.com](http://www.brugesgroup.com)

**Campaign Against Euro-Federalism**  
[www.caef.org.uk](http://www.caef.org.uk)

**Campaign for an Independent Britain**  
[www.campaignforanindependentbritain.org.uk](http://www.campaignforanindependentbritain.org.uk)

**Change Britain**  
[www.changebritain.org](http://www.changebritain.org)

**Concordance**  
[www.concordanceout.eu](http://www.concordanceout.eu)

**Democracy Movement**  
[www.democracymovement.org.uk](http://www.democracymovement.org.uk)

**EU Observer**  
[www.euobserver.com](http://www.euobserver.com)

**EU Truth**  
[www.eutruith.org.uk](http://www.eutruith.org.uk)

**European Commission (London)**  
[www.cec.org.uk](http://www.cec.org.uk)

**European Foundation**  
[www.europeanfoundation.org](http://www.europeanfoundation.org)

**Freedom Association**  
[www.tfa.net](http://www.tfa.net)

**Futurus**  
[www.futurus-thinktank.com](http://www.futurus-thinktank.com)

**Get Britain Out**  
[www.getbritainout.org](http://www.getbritainout.org)

**Global Britain**  
[www.globalbritain.org](http://www.globalbritain.org)

**Global Vision**  
[www.global-vision.net](http://www.global-vision.net)

**GrassRootsOut**  
[www.grassrootsout.co.uk](http://www.grassrootsout.co.uk)

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[www.leavemeansleave.eu](http://www.leavemeansleave.eu)

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**New Alliance**  
[www.newalliance.org.uk](http://www.newalliance.org.uk)

**Open Europe**  
[www.openeurope.org.uk](http://www.openeurope.org.uk)

**Save Britain's Fish**  
[www.ffl.org.uk](http://www.ffl.org.uk)

**Statawatch**  
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