





VIRTUAL ONE-DAY CONFERENCE

VENUE: ZOOM (ONLINE)



Visa and immigration conference

Course outline

This conference will enable delegates to hear directly from the experts on the latest in visas and immigration relevant to the education sector. The update will address key issues from members at a crucial time of year for international student recruitment.

BSA will facilitate questions directly from members to our experts throughout the day, including Home Office representatives. Delegates are welcome to send their questions in advance to bsa@boarding.org.uk to ensure these are answered during the session.





Visa and immigration conference

Tuesday, October 10 2023

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09:30 - 10:15 Welcome

- Kate Hollyer, Director of Legal and Public Affairs, BSA Group
- Bethan Waddington, Director, BAISIS

International recruitment trends and updates to the UK Government's International Education Strategy Chair: Bethan Waddington, Director, BAISIS

• Thea Wiltshire, EdTech, Schools, and Early Years Specialist, Department for Business and Trade

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10:30 – 11:15 **China market survey results 2023**

In its third year, the BSA Group team and Connexcel will present the results of the Chinese market survey, providing key strategic direction for school recruitment in the area.

Chair: Caroline Nixon, International and Membership Director, BSA Group

- John Zhang, Managing Director, Connexcel
- Peter Wells, Executive Consultant, Connexcel

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11:30 – 12:30 Home Office inspections: what to expect

This session will be focused on helping schools prepare for impending Home Office inspections by hearing from those with recent, first-hand experience.

Chair: Kate Hollyer, Director of Legal and Public Affairs, BSA Group

- Nick Tappin, Director of Admissions and Marketing, King's Ely
- Andrew Berrow, Senior Master, Blundell's School
- Mark Taylor, Legal consultant, BSAG Legal Services

12:30 - 13:15 **LUNCH**

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13:15 – 14:15 Home Office: Policy and Operations update

Hear from representatives of the Home Office Study Operations and Student Policy departments about the Child Student / Student visa routes and future developments, plus pose your questions to the team – an unmissable session!

Chair: Kate Hollyer, Director of Legal and Public Affairs, BSA Group

- Paul Cooper, Operations Manager, Student Sponsor Assessment Unit, UKVI
- Jack Rose, Study Service Manager, Home Office
- Policy department representative, Home Office

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14:30 – 15:30 Legal update: UKVI compliance and Educational Oversight

An overview of compliance trends and areas of focus from leading immigration expert and Chair of Immigration Law Practitioners' Association (ILPA)

Chair: Beth Waddington, Director, BAISIS

• Hazar El-Chamaa, Immigration Partner, Penningtons Manches Cooper LLP and Chair, ILPA

15:30 – 16:00 Immigration round-up: what we've learned and Q&A

Put your questions to the legal panel and hear a round-up of the day.

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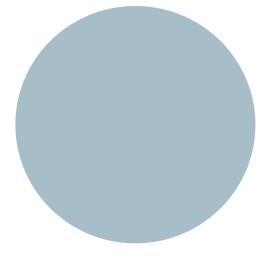
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