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# VIP Dinner Discussion Two/19 with Mr James Duddridge MP



### Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Exiting the EU



Mr James Duddridge MP

On Wednesday, 9 October 2019, Mr James Duddridge MP, was our Guest of Honour and Speaker on `Brexit - deal or no-deal on 31 October` at a Dinner Discussion at the Royal Over-Seas Club, London SW1, hosted by our Chairman and Chief Executive, Dr Bernd Atenstaedt.

Minister Duddridge gave an update on Brexit and we had a very lively discussion with him afterwards until 9.00pm. when he had to leave.



Royal Over-Seas Club



Mr Nathan Phillips

This was followed by a question and answer session with a senior executive of the Department for Exiting the EU, Mr Nathan Phillips, Director - Business Readiness and Engagement.

We made clear throughout the evening that German business wants the UK to leave the EU with a deal. A no-deal would be a major challenge for us, a disaster.



Minister Duddridge speaking

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Some participants during the Dinner





Some 32 members and guests were present who included Mr Nathan Phillips, Mr Stephen Dyer and Ms Cara Phillips, all from the *Department for Exiting the EU. Also*, Mr Frank Neumann, *German Embassy*, Mr Klaus Allion, *ANT Telecommunications Ltd*, Mr Heiner Boehmer, *Helaba – Landesbank Hessen-Thueringen and GIUK*, Mr Uday Bose, *Boehringer Ingelheim Ltd and GIUK*, Mr Armin Brestrich, *Landesbank Baden-Württemberg*, Mr Tony Cooper, *Deutsche Post DHL Group*, Ms Sharon Davies, *DHL UK & Ireland and GIUK*, Mr Federico Florian, *KfW IPEX Bank GmbH*, Cllr Simon Flunder, GIUK, Mr Laurence Grubb, GIUK, Mr Uwe Hanneck, GIUK, Mr Richard Halhead, *Fuchs UK plc*, Mr Juergen Herr, *TRUMPF Ltd*, Mr Rhys Jarvis, GIUK, Mr Andreas Köster, *Lufthansa German Airlines and GIUK*, Mr Phil McClennon, *Leadec Limited*, Dr Andreas Meier, *BSH Home Appliances Ltd*, Mr Lee Moakes, *TRUMPF Ltd*, Mr Clemens Richter, *CMR Controls Ltd and GIUK*, Ms Kim Rolfe, *Vaillant Group UK Ltd*, Dr Manfred Rudhart, *Arriva plc and GIUK*, Mr Max Sammartano, *Linde Material Handling (UK) Ltd*, Mr Terry Sargeant, *ThyssenKrupp UK plc and GIUK*, Dr Thomas Schulz, *Noerr LLP*, Mr Richard Skinner, *Voith Turbo Ltd*, Mr Malcolm Whetton, *ThyssenKrupp UK plc and* Mr Carl zu Dohna, *Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles*.