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“Snap General Election will not disrupt event industry agenda”

Simon Hughes, Vice Chair of the Business Visits and Events Partnership (BVEP) said:

“Regardless of the Election, the agenda for the events industry will be the same as we set out in our recent policy document “Opportunities for Global Growth in Britain’s Events Sector”. But we will be watching carefully the commitment each party makes during the Election on the opportunities that will benefit the events industry – namely trade, talent and tariffs - which remain critical to future success. Assurances that the work of the Events Industry Board and VisitBritain will both continue and be reinforced will be welcome too”

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Notes to editors

About Business Visits & Events Partnership

The Business Visits & Events Partnership is an umbrella organisation representing leading trade and professional organisations, government agencies and other significant influencers in the business visits and events sector.

The BVEP exists to:

- garner the cohesive opinion of these stakeholders and to collectively influence and develop policies, practices and strategies that support and generate growth in the sector
- raise sector awareness through clear communications of the social and economic benefits of the business visits and events sector.

The Partnership seeks to provide a cohesive point of view for the entire business visits and events sector. The BVEP works with prominent sector leaders including its partners, government departments and agencies to influence and develop policies and practices favourable to the growth of business events, and trade and creative enterprise through business visits and events.

It has the support of the leading trade and professional organisations and government agencies with a shared interest in the economic benefit and growth of conferences, meetings, exhibitions, trade fairs, incentive travel, corporate hospitality, ceremonies, as well as other business, sporting, cultural and festival events