

Cross-Party Group on Germany

Tuesday 28 February 2023 at 6pm

Microsoft Teams

Minute

Present

MSPs

Colin Beattie MSP
Roz McCall MSP

Invited guests

N/A

Non-MSP Group Members

Laura Cunningham
Peter Friedrich
Annette Gotzkes
Sheila Dickson
Dr Andreas Zimmer
Oliver St John
Sigrid Rieuwerts
Alexandra Stein
Cameron Buchanan

Apologies

Fiona Hyslop MSP
Michelle Thomson MSP
Peter Müller-McDougall
Anne Simms

1. Welcome and Approval of Minutes

CB welcomed members.
Previous minutes approved.

2. Update on Deputy Convenor

CB introduced Roz McCall MSP as the new Deputy Convenor.

3. Discussion on Future Direction and Topics of CPG

Members discussed a variety of topics the CPG could explore in future. These topics included:

- Renewables – wind, solar and hydrogen
- Inviting German academics to speak
- Twin towns
- Space sector – links between Scotland and Germany
- Brexit and its impact on the education sector

AOB

SR shared two upcoming events with CPG:

- German GET Together at the University of Aberdeen on Friday 24 March
- Minister-President of the Rhineland Palatinate will visit Scotland in April

Future Date

Wednesday 19 April 2023 in the Scottish Parliament

Meeting concluded 7:40pm.