



Fusion: The pivot from science to engineering

Wednesday 15 April 2026

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Drinks Reception

Drinks, networking, & nibbles evening at PA Consulting with short talks from PA and other members

Date: Tuesday 14 April

Time: 18:30

Venue: [PA Consulting](#), 10 Bressenden Place London SW1E 5DN United Kingdom

ACTIVITY	TIME
Registration	09:00
Welcome	09:30
Introducing new VC Rob Sharratt	09:40
Steve's International Fusion Update <i>Steve Lawler, NIA Fusion Chair</i>	09:45
Welcome from hosts <i>Arup</i>	10:00
Nourthcourt & NC Fusion Overview <i>Zemfira Knott, Director Nourthcourt</i>	10:10
How to talk to MPs <i>Millie Beaver, Head of Public Affairs Nuclear Industry Association</i>	10:25
FIA Perspective <i>Tris Denton, UK Director Fusion Industry Association</i>	10:35
NIA Member Spotlight <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Acuity: Max Vollans, Senior Mechanical Engineer - Bilfinger: William Foster, Business Development Manager - EKIUM: Thomas ECK, UK Business Manager 	10:50
BREAK	11:10
UKIFS & STEP Update	11:40
STEP's system of systems <i>Ezzat Nasr, STEP Head of Whole Plant Performance UK Industrial Fusion Solutions Ltd</i>	11:55

Private fusion sector - Geopolitical impacts: Cross-sector enabling technology opportunities lost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Proxima Fusion: Eszter Kantor, Head of International Affairs - Focused Energy: Adrian McFarland, Engineering & Programs Director - Helixos: Steve Lawler - NC Fusion: Zemfira Knott, Director, Northcourt - First Light Fusion: Dave Byron, CFO 	12:10
LUNCH	13:00
Group Exercise – The pivot from science to engineering <i>We are going to look at four systems in a group workshop to try to come up with some ideas on how to achieve maximum growth in these areas</i>	14:00
Conclusion & Close	15:00

Thank you to our hosts

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