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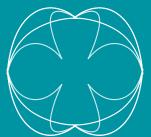
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13:00	Registration & networking lunch
13:35	Welcome address
	Michael Moore, Chief Executive, BVCA
13:45	Growth in the Midlands - local leadership, infrastructure planning and investment Panel
	Moderator: Sarah Adams, Director of Policy, BVCA Jon Baty, Head of Inward Investment, West Midlands Growth Company Andy Green, Investment Director, Mercia (FDC) Joshua Hawkins, Head of Global and Investment, Midlands Engine
14:25	Vision Fireside Chat - Supporting startups in the Midlands Panel
	Speakers to be confirmed shortly
14:55	Networking break
15:15	Scale ups, spin outs and innovation Panel
	Moderator: Rena Sandhu, Head of Regional M&A and Mid-Market, Aon Ken Cooper, Managing Director - Venture Solutions, British Business Bank Katharine Fuller, Chief Operating Officer, TechWM Kiu Kim, Investment Manager, Beringea Rupert Lyle, Investment Director, Midven Lisa Smith, Chief Executive, Midlands Mindforge





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15:55 Boosting productivity in the Midlands

Panel

Moderator: Karim Palant, Director of External Affairs, BVCA

Chris Handy, Head of West Midlands, LDC

Donato Masi, Professor of Supply Chain Management, Loughborough University

Rebecca O'Riley, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Regional Engagement,

University of Birmingham Matthew Way, CEO, Clamason

Gemma Whitehouse, CFO, Kingswood Mobility Group (LDC)

16:35 Closing remarks

Michael Moore, Chief Executive, BVCA

16:45

Networking













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