

## City-region statistics

### What are the issues and how could they be improved?

10.30am - 12.30pm (Lunch from 12.30pm), Thursday 10th March

Centre for Cities, 9 Holyrood Street, 2nd Floor, London, SE1 2EL

To help improve the production and use of city-region statistics, Centre for Cities and the UK Statistics Authority are co-hosting this workshop for city practitioners, academics and data users and producers to explore how they can work together to identify potential priorities for further work.

This discussion is held under Chatham House rules.

#### Agenda:

- 10.30am** Registration and tea and coffee
- 11.00am** Welcome from **Andrew Carter**, Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Cities and **Ed Humpherson** Director General - Regulation, UKSA
- 11.05am** User perspectives from:
- **Chris Milne**, Chief Economist, North East LEP
  - **Matthew Waite**, Senior Economist, GLA
  - **Chris Pope**, Strategy and Policy Manager, New Economy
- Addressing questions including:
- What data (official and 'other') are most used by cities to help with decision making?
  - What are the challenges of using this data - timeliness, geography, consistency, and access?
  - Which data would be most useful to improve decision-making?
- 11.20am** Producer perspectives from:
- **ONS**
  - **BIS**
  - **HMRC**
- 11.35am** Reflections and discussion
- 11.55am** Areas for further work/collaboration
- 12.20pm** ONS reflections
- 12.25pm** Summation from **Prof Sir Adrian Smith**
- 12.30pm** Finish for lunch

## Attendees:

**Adam Douglas** Lead Statistician, HMRC

**Professor Sir Adrian Smith** Deputy Chair, UKSA Board; Vice Chancellor, University of London; Non-Executive Director, ONS

**Andrew Carter** Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Cities

**Barney Evans** Economist - Housing, Planning and Cities Team, Public Services Group, HMT

**Bill South** Public Policy Division, ONS

**Chris Milne** Chief Economist, North East LEP

**Chris Pope** Strategy and Policy Manager, New Economy

**Ed Humpherson** Director General - Regulation, UKSA

**Guy Goodwin** Director - Social and Analysis, ONS

**Henry Overman** Director, What Works Centre for Local Economic Growth

**James Hopton** Research & Intelligence Officer, Leeds City Region Enterprise Partnership

**Joe Grice** Director - Chief Economic Adviser, ONS

**Jonathan Athow** Deputy National Statistician, Director General - Economic Statistics, ONS

**Kerstin Hinds** Head of Strategic Interventions, UKSA

**Majeed Neky** Devolution Strategy - Cities and Local Growth Unit, DCLG

**Matthew Waite** Senior Economist, GLA

**Paul Swinney** Principal Economist, Centre for Cities

**Pedro Abrantes** Senior Economist, Urban Transport Group

**Richard Prothero** Subnational Economic Analysis Branch - Public Policy Division, ONS

**Roma Chappell** Director - Public Policy Division, ONS

**Samanta Padalino** Senior Economist, Head of Growth and Places Analysis - IDEa, DCLG

**Sean Mattson** Statistician - Local Growth Analysis (LoGA), Regional Growth Directorate, BIS

**Thomas Wickersham** Economic Advisor, Labour Market & Regions branch, HMT

**Tim Lan** Research Associate - Department of Geography, UCL

**Trevor Fenton** Head of Regional Economic Statistics, ONS

**Vanessa Holden** Parliamentary and Public Affairs Manager, UKSA