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VLV SPRING CONFERENCE 2023
PROGRAMME
10.00 – 16.00
Thursday 11th May 2023
The Geological Society, Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BG

10.00   Registration and coffee

10.15   Welcome: **Colin Browne,** Chairman, VLV

         Session 1: Why the BBC needs to make the case for its future - and who it needs to convince.
         Tina Stowell, The Rt Hon Baroness Stowell of Beeston MBE
         Chaired by: **Torin Douglas MBE**, former BBC media correspondent

11.00   **Session 2: BBC Radio: Bringing world-class audio to all audiences in the digital age**
         Charlotte Moore, Chief Content Officer, BBC
         Chaired by: **Torin Douglas MBE**, former BBC media correspondent

12.00   Lunch

13.15   **Session 3: In conversation with Tony Hall CBE, Lord Hall of Birkenhead,**
         former Director-General of the BBC, former President of the European Broadcasting Union and sits on the cross bench in the House of Lords
         Chaired by: **Colin Browne**, Chairman, VLV

14.00   **Panel session: Is Impartiality Regulation still Fit for Purpose?**

         Adam Baxter, Director of Broadcasting Standards, Ofcom
         Sue Inglish, former Head of Political Programmes at the BBC and current Chair of The Disasters Emergency Committee
         Professor Steven Barnett, Professor of Communications, University of Westminster; writer/commentator on media policy and regulation
         Chaired by: Roger Bolton, former BBC presenter and Founder of Beebwatch

15.00   **Panel session: The Media Bill**
         Tim Suter, former Ofcom Board member and former Head of Broadcasting Policy DCMS
         Anna McNamee, Executive Director of the Sandford St Martin Trust
         Lord Tom McNally, former Leader of the Liberal Democrats, House of Lords.
         Sophie Chalk, Policy Advisor, VLV
         Chaired by: Professor Steven Barnett, Professor of Communications, University of Westminster; writer/commentator on media policy and regulation

16.00   **End of Conference** – tea and coffee

16.15   **VLV Members' Forum**

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