BREXIT: WHAT NEXT? 24 May 2019 Le Logis du Roy, Amiens

The British referendum on the membership of the European Union on 23 June 2016 came as a shock. The Brexiteers won with 51.9% against the Remainers (48%). The vote to leave the EU was a leap into the unknown. Britain's decision to Leave the EU on 23 June 2016 triggered a political crisis in Britain. It was a vote to retrieve sovereignty and start a new chapter in British history. It was a cataclysmic event for British politics and led to the end of the political career of David Cameron as well as to the fragmentation of political parties. It also raises question about the way the United Kingdom is governed.

8.45 am : Tea and coffee

MORNING :

Chair : Dr Sophie LOUSSOUARN (University of Picardie)

9 am : Greg Hands MP, MP for Chelsea and Fulham will open the conference

9.45 am : Dr Andrew Blick (Director of the Centre for British Politics and Government, King's College) : *The constitutional aspects of Brexit*

10.45 am : Coffee break

10.45 am : Professor John Curtice (University of Strathclyde) : *The implications of Brexit for British political parties and public opinion*

11.30 am : Professor Pippa Catterrall (Reader in British History, University of Westminster) : Brexit, Exit and global Britain

12.30 pm : LUNCH

AFTERNOON

2 pm : Chair : Professor Vernon BOGDANOR (King's College London)

2 pm : Dr Harshan Kumarasingham (Lecturer in British Politics, University of Edinburgh) : Commonwealth Brexit ? A Historical Sketch of the Postwar British Withdrawal from Commonwealth Affairs

2.45 pm : Dr Murray Leith (Reader in Politics, University of the West of Scotland Paisley Campus, Paisley Scotland) : *The New State of an Old Nation*

3.30 pm : Dr Sophie Loussouarn (Associate Professor in British History, University of Amiens) : *The French approach to Brexit*

4.15 pm : Simon Atkinson (First Secretary, EU Affairs, British Embassy)

End of the conference : 5 pm

*** If you want to attend, please answer Sophie Loussouarn : <u>s.loussouarn@free.fr</u> **Replies expected before 15 March 2019**