

## AGENDA

# The Chilcot Inquiry: Learning Lessons from Iraq

15 July 2016

RUSI, 61 Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET

0900 Registration and Welcome Coffee

0930 **Opening Session: Initial Assessments of Iraq Inquiry**

*Explore overall lessons learned from the Iraq Inquiry, the expectations met and missed, and discuss any further areas of research and study.*

Chair: **Dr Karin von Hippel**, Director General, RUSI

Speaker: **Professor Malcolm Chalmers**, Deputy Director-General, RUSI  
**Professor Michael Clarke**, Senior Associate Fellow, RUSI

1000 **Run-up to the War**

*Discuss the decisions that led to the Iraq War and how the decision to go to war has changed since Iraq.*

Chair: **Dr Jonathan Eyal**, Associate Director, RUSI

Speakers: **Professor Michael Clarke**, Senior Associate Fellow, RUSI  
**Professor Patrick Porter**, Senior Associate Fellow, RUSI

1050 Coffee break

1115 **Post-War Strategy: Planning and Stabilisation**

*This session will examine the issues around the stabilisation phase, and in particular on the UK role in the south.*

Chair: **Michael Codner**, Senior Research Fellow, RUSI

Speakers: **Dr Karin von Hippel**, Director General, RUSI  
**Professor Malcolm Chalmers**, Deputy Director-General, RUSI

1210 **Post-War Operations: Military, Operational and Tactical**

*Examine the military, operational and tactical issues around both phases of the war, including logistics, tour lengths, learning at an operational level the role of air and sea power, the roles of DFID and other government departments.*

Chair: **Elizabeth Quintana**, Senior Research Fellow and Director, Military Sciences, RUSI

Speakers: **Professor John Louth**, Director, Defence, Industry and Society Programme, RUSI  
**Christopher Elliot**, author, *High Command*

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