

Cross-Party Group on Germany

Wednesday 30 October 2024 at 18:00

In Scottish Parliament and on Microsoft Teams Meeting

Present

MSPs

Colin Beattie MSP
Clare Adamson MSP
George Adam MSP

Invited guests

Scott Lipinski
Alice Welsh

Non-MSP Group Members

Consul General Christiane Hullmann
Maximilian Münch
Judith Blum
Scott Steele
Jenny Gray
Bill Rodgers – Online
Gray Allan
Consul General Peter Müller-McDougall

Apologies

Hanna Dede
Annette Gotzkes
Anne Simms
Arne Muus
Anke Hilt
Oliver John
Valeria Bota
Sheila Dickson
Michelle Thomson MSP
Murdo Fraser MSP
Neil Bibby MSP
Graham Simpson MSP
Jackie Ballie MSP

Welcome

CB welcomed the group.

Item 1 – Approval of Previous Minutes

CB asked if there were any objections to the minutes of 28 February 2024. No objections were made. The previous minutes were approved.

Item 2 – German Scottish Links in the Fashion Industry

Guest Speaker Scott Lipinski, Fashion Council Germany CEO

Scott Lipinski introduced himself and detailed the Fashion Council Germany's work.

- SL discussed several of the Fashion Council's initiatives including their FCG/Vogue fashion fund competition for new talent, their work advocating for sustainability in fashion and their role in educating the next generation in partnership with local schools.

Guest Speaker Alice Welsh, The Kings Foundation, Future Textiles Curriculum Manager

- Alice Welsh introduced herself and detailed the work of The Kings Foundation
- AW discussed their passion around sustainability, their programs aimed at addressing skills gaps within the local community and how they bring industry experts and graduates together.

AOB

None