

Cross-Party Group on Taiwan

6th of October 2025 6:00pm

Agenda

Agenda item 1

Apologies

Welcome remarks

- **Rhoda Grant MSP (Chair)**, *Co-convenor of CPG on Taiwan*
- **Jamie Greene MSP**, *Co-convenor of CPG on Taiwan*

Agenda item 2

AGM

- Review of the year 2024/2025
Two meetings were held during this period.
“Scotch Whisky: Opportunities and Challenges in Taiwan” (25 September 2024)
This meeting highlighted Taiwan's exceptionally high per capita whisky consumption—around 12.8 million bottles annually—alongside the rising popularity of gin in Taiwan. It also examined the challenges Scotch whisky faces from the growing competition with other spirits.
“Policing and Gender in Cross-Cultural Perspective: Challenges and Lessons from Taiwan and Scotland” (3 September 2025)
This meeting underscored the significance of Taiwan's emerging new feminism, the increasing expectations placed on policewomen, and the democratization and legal reforms within Taiwan's law enforcement system. It emphasized the value of exchanges between Taiwanese and Scottish policewomen and law enforcement

institutions, in order to strengthen women's contributions in the field of law enforcement.

- Re- Election of Cross- Party Group Office bearers: Co-Conveners and Secretary

Agenda item 3

1. **Guest Presentation by Dr. Liu Chi-Chu: 160th anniversary of the Sin-Lau Hospital's founding in Taiwan**
 - *Dr. Liu Chi-Chu, Superintendent of Sin-Lau Hospital.*
2. **Guest Presentation by Dr Guy S Bewick and Prof Chih-Cheng Chen: Sng-a novel neutral pathway for chronic pain emerges from a Taiwan-Scotland collaboration**
 - *Dr Guy S Bewick, University of Aberdeen*
 - *Dr Chih-Cheng Chen, Academia Sinica in Taipei*

Agenda item 4

General Discussion and closing Remarks

- Public health in aviation
- **Rhoda Grant MSP (Chair)**, Co-convenor of CPG on Taiwan
- **Jamie Greene MSP**, Co-convenor of CPG on Taiwan
- **Chi-Hua Ding**, Director General, Taipei Representative Office in the UK Edinburgh Office