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Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee

Potential Witnesses List

DSC/21/2024

Directive (EU) 2024/2853 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on liability for defective products and repealing Council Directive 85/374/EEC

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Introduction

This Briefing Note has been prepared in response to a request from the Clerk to the Windsor Framework Democratic Scrutiny Committee (the DSC) for RalSe to provide details of representatives of businesses and civil society who RalSe has identified as being affected (or who would be affected if the Regulation enters into force) by <u>Directive (EU) 2024/2853 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on liability for defective products and repealing Council Directive 85/374/EEC.</u>

In line with agreed arrangements relating to the operation of the DSC, the list provided below is not to inform DSC deliberations and decision-making on whether or not to undertake (or continue an existing) inquiry relating to Directive (EU) 2024/2853 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on liability for defective products and repealing Council Directive 85/374/EEC. Instead, the list is intended for the DSC's consideration if it first decides to undertake such an inquiry.

In order to respond to the request for a 'short, focused list', RalSe has prioritised representative bodies which reflect the types of organisations which have engaged with the European Commission's consultation exercises on the related proposal [COM(2022) 495 final].

If relying on the list, the DSC should note that it is not intended to be exhaustive; nor is it intended to communicate anything about the significance of the impact of Directive (EU) 2024/2853 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on liability for defective products and repealing Council Directive 85/374/EEC. List of bodies and organisations

The list below contains the names of representative bodies and organisations which have been identified by RalSe in response to the request set out above:

Organisation	Туре	Policy Area
Alan Turing Institute	National Institute	Data science and AI
Association of British HealthTech Industries (ABHI)	Trade Association	Health tech
Association of British Insurers	Trade Association	Insurance
British Standards Institution	Standards Body	Certification body
Confederation of British Industry (CBI)	Trade Association	Industry
Consumer Council for Northern Ireland	Consumer Body	Consumer Rights
Federation of Small Businesses NI	Trade Association	Industry
	Non-departmental public	
Health and Safety Executive for Northern Ireland	body	Health and Safety
IBEC (Medtech Association)	Trade Association	Manufacturing
Manufacturing NI	Trade Association	Manufacturing
Matrix NI	Trade association	Technology and Innovation
<u>techUK</u>	Trade association	Technology and Innovation

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