



LPM Conference 2024

1 July, Kings Fund, London

Draft day shape, subject to change

09.00am-09.30am	BREAKFAST AND NETWORKING Grab a coffee and croissant and connect with your peers!
9.30am-9.40am	WELCOME
9.40am-10.10am	OPENING KEYNOTE: PRACTICAL GUIDANCE FOR SMEs ON AN UNCERTAIN ECONOMY <i>Ross Walker, chief economist, NatWest</i>
10:10am-10:25am	POLLING AND VOTING Have your say in our interactive Slido voting session – and set yourself up for the interactive day ahead!
10.25am-11.00am	ASSESSING THE RISK LANDSCAPE: WHATS ON THE HORIZON FOR 2025
11.00am-11.15am	COFFEE BREAK
11.15am-11.50pm	PANEL: EVOLVING WORK SPACES AND TOOLS Join law firm leaders making bold movements in making their work spaces fit their business, employee and environmental needs – from real estate revolutions to remote working wins! <i>Sue Murphy, practice and business development director, Paris Smith</i>
11.50pm-12.20pm	INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION What are your insights on how the workplace is evolving? Hear from each-other and find out how your peers in practice management are addressing the issue.
12.20pm-1.10pm	LUNCH BREAK
1.10pm-1.45pm	PANEL: THE POWER OF COMPANY CULTURE – YOUR SECRET WEAPON <i>Nadia Biles Davies, chief operating officer, Sharpe Pritchard</i> <i>Shaheen Mamun, director, Black Antelope Law</i> Learn how other SME law firms are using the power of company culture to build a business of top talent, and how to strike the balance between flexibility and business needs.
1.45pm-2.15pm	INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION Take some time to share your own challenges, experiences, and nuggets of truth with your table – with the best nuggets to be shared with the room at the end.

2.15pm- 2.45pm	DEI FOR BUSINESS WINS: EXPANDING YOUR HORIZONS WITH NEURO-INCLUSIVITY
2.45pm- 3.15pm	CHATHAM HOUSE CONFESSIONS Have you got a controversial opinion or harsh truth to explore? Anonymously share your confession with us, before pulling confessions from a hat and diving into a Chatham House discussion with your peers in a safe space.
3.15pm- 3.30pm	RECHARGE COFFEE BREAK Recharge with the perfect cuppa and reflect on the most useful insights gleaned throughout your day.
3.30pm- 4.05pm	PANEL : THE FUTURE OF GENERATIVE AI IN THE SME LAW FIRM With GenAI being adopted across large law, what are the risks - and opportunities - for smaller and regional firms? <i>Sarah-Jane Butler, solicitor and founder, Farringford Legal</i> <i>Graham Sweeney, managing partner, Schofield Sweeney</i>
4.05pm- 4.35pm	INDEPENDENCE AND ACTING IN A CLIENT'S BEST INTERESTS: HAS THE ETHICS THRESHOLD BEEN RAISED? <i>Stephen Mayson, honorary professor, faculty of law, University College London</i> Following the public, political, media and regulator concerns raised after the Post Office Inquiry, Axiom Ince and other instances relating to the conduct of lawyers, what's next for professional ethics and legal services regulation?
4.35pm- 4.40pm	CLOSING AND THANKS
4.40pm- 5.30pm	DRINKS RECEPTION

GARDEN ROOM MASTERCLASSES (optional)
Informed approaches to PII
Tools for efficient and convenient hybrid working
Business strategies for improving client care
Getting automation right
Profitability for the smaller firm
Getting the most from practice management tools
Simplifying the IT system