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[EDIC Event During Black Country Business Festival](#)

On April 26th, the Black Country Chamber of Commerce will be holding a specific Brexit-related event. Following the news that the Chamber is now the EDIC for the Black Country, this event will cover a range of issues, including future immigration policy, the rights of EU nationals in the UK and future trading relationships with the EU.

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[British Chambers of Commerce: Clarity Around Post-Brexit Immigration System Needed](#)

Dr. Adam Marshall, Director-General of the British Chambers of Commerce, has urged Government to provide clarity for UK businesses on a post-Brexit immigration policy. Recent business surveys at both regional and national levels have shown staff recruitment difficulties to be at severe levels. Dr. Marshall has warned that British businesses cannot make plans for the next few years without concrete policy decisions from Westminster.



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[Johnson Sets Out Policy For 'Liberal Brexit' in First 'Roadmap to Brexit' Speech](#)

On February 14th, Boris Johnson outlined the 'liberal case' for Brexit. Johnson said that holding another referendum on Britain's membership of the EU would lead to "permanent and ineradicable feelings of betrayal". His speech, at the Policy Exchange think-tank, is the first in a series of speeches from British politicians that will set out the road to Brexit.

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[Prime Minister May and Taoiseach Varadkar Meet to Discuss Irish Border](#)

Theresa May recently met with Irish Taoiseach Leo Varadkar to discuss the challenging issues surrounding Brexit and specifically how to avoid a hard border with the Republic of Ireland. The talks centred around a free-trade deal that would mean Northern Ireland join the rest of the UK in leaving the Customs Union and Single Market.



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