

12CROSS-PARTY GROUP ANNUAL RETURN

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP
Cross-Party Group on Germany
DATE GROUP ESTABLISHED (the date of establishment is the date in this parliamentary session that the Group held its initial meeting, where the office bearers were elected and not the date that the Group was accorded recognition. All Groups should hold their AGMs on, or before, the anniversary of this date.)
26 October 2016
DATE OF MOST RECENT AGM
11 December 2018
DATE ANNUAL RETURN SUBMITTED
12 December 2018
DATE OF PRECEDING AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11-13 months of the previous AGM]
15 November 2017
GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES
Please provide details of each meeting of the Group including the date of the meeting, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and the MSP and non-MSP attendance figures. Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.
10 January 2018 Attendance: 2 MSPs, 9 non-MSPs Topics discussed: presentation by Dr Alexandra Stein on the Scottish Government's Germany Investment and Innovation Hub; meeting attendances.

6 March 2018

Attendance: 3 MSPs, 5 non-MSPs

Topics discussed: presentation by Prof. Charlie Jeffery on the University of Edinburgh's approach to Brexit; the Scottish Government's '1 + 2' Language policy; meeting attendances & group membership; political & cultural updates.

25 September 2018

Attendance: 2 MSPs, 7 non-MSP

Topics discussed: presentation by Stephen Taylor on the work of Technology Scotland; the focus of the CPG; political update.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

Colin Beattie (SNP)

Mark Griffin (Lab)

Daniel Johnson (Lab)

Liam Kerr (Con)

Richard Leonard (Lab)

Lewis Macdonald (Lab)

Joan McAlpine (SNP)

Stuart McMillan (SNP)

Tavish Scott (Lib-Dem)

Elaine Smith (Lab)

Maureen Watt (SNP)

NON-MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals

Cameron Buchanan

Stefan Buettner

Manuela Calchini

	Annette Götzkes Jeannette Rissmann Alexandra Stein Barbara Strickland Jens-Peter Voss Petra Wend
Organisations	Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany Goethe-Institut

GROUP OFFICE BEARERS

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Colin Beattie MSP
Deputy Convener	Elaine Smith MSP Jens-Peter Voss
Secretary	Graeme Henderson
Treasurer	

FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS RECEIVED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) received from a single source in a calendar year which has a value, either singly or cumulatively, of more than £500. This includes donations, gifts, hospitality or visits and material assistance such as secretariat support.

Details of material support should include the name of the individual providing support, the value of this support over the year, an estimate of the time spent providing this support and the name of the organisation that this individual is employed by / affiliated to in providing this support.

Groups should provide details of the date on which the benefit was received, the value of the benefit and a brief description of the benefit.

If the Group is not disclosing any financial information please tick the box to confirm that the Group has considered the support received, but concluded it totalled under the threshold for disclosure (£500).

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

Please provide details of the amount charged and the purpose for which the subscription is intended to be used.

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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