

CROSS-PARTY GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

NAME OF CROSS-PARTY GROUP

Cross-Party Group on Russia

PURPOSE OF THE GROUP AND PROPOSED DISCUSSION TOPICS

1. Please state the purpose of the Group.
2. Please also provide a brief explanation of the purpose of the Group and why the purpose is in the public interest.
3. Please also provide details of any overlaps with the purpose of existing Cross-Party Groups and an explanation of why, regardless of any such overlap, the Group should be established.
4. Please also provide an indication of the topics which the Group anticipates discussing in the forthcoming 12 months.

1.To foster and promote understanding between the peoples of Russia and Scotland at cultural, social, academic, political and economic levels and to increase economic and cultural exchanges between Russia and Scotland including the national and regional institutions of both countries.

2. The purpose of the Group is designed to provide opportunities for MSPs to share information, ideas and analyses on Russia within the context of a changing Europe and the security, economic, environmental, political and cultural issues that arise as a consequence.

3. None.

4. Propaganda and disinformation, education and culture, environment and business, trade and commerce.

MSP MEMBERS OF THE GROUP

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

Andy Wightman MSP (Scottish Green)

Alex Cole-Hamilton MSP (Liberal Democrat)

Alex Neil MSP (Scottish National Party)

Pauline McNeill MSP (Scottish Labour Party)

Richard Lyle MSP (Scottish National Party)

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.

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| Individuals | |
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| Organisations | |
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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.

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| Convener | Alex Cole-Hamilton |
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| Convener | Andy Wightman |
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| Secretary | Office of Andy Wightman MSP |
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| Treasurer | |
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FINANCIAL BENEFITS OR OTHER BENEFITS

Please provide details of any financial or material benefit(s) the Group anticipates receiving 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.

n/a

SUBSCRIPTION CHARGED BY THE GROUP

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

n/a

CONVENER CONTACT DETAILS

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| Name | Andy Wightman MSP |
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| STATEMENT ON COMPLIANCE WITH THE CODE OF CONDUCT | |
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| I declare that the Cross-Party Group on Russia is constituted and will comply with the terms of Section 6 of the Code of Conduct for Members of the Scottish Parliament. | |
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