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Welcome to the BEIS Bulletin from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

Here's the latest news from BEIS:



Step 4 of the Roadmap paused for four weeks

Following the Prime Minister's announcement that step 4 will be delayed, free asymptomatic work place testing has been extended for a month until the end of July. The new final date to order workplace tests is 19 July.

The 30-person limit is also being lifted for weddings and wakes from 21 June. Venues must adhere to COVID secure guidance, maintain social distancing and provide table service. Further information can be [found in the guidance](#).



Help to Grow: How SMEs can innovate, grow and drive recovery

Business Secretary Kwasi Kwarteng will host a live panel event on Twitter with top business leaders and entrepreneurs to discuss how business can help support growth across the UK. Marta Krupinska (Head

of Google for Startups UK) and Laura Tenison MBE (Founder and Managing Director of JoJo Maman Bubbles) are among the panellists who will share their experiences.

The event will take place on Wednesday 23 June at 10:30am. [Register and send in questions for the panel.](#) [Watch the event on Twitter.](#)



Business Secretary opens new research and testing centre

Kwasi Kwarteng visited Airbus in Filton to open their new facility. Jointly funded by Airbus and the U.K. government's Aerospace Technology Institute Programme, the £40 million research and testing facility carries out structural testing of large-scale aircraft assemblies.



Join over 20,000 businesses that are benefiting from being Disability Confident

The Disability Confident scheme supports employers with the tools to make the most of the talents disabled people can bring to the workplace.

To find out more about Disability Confident and to sign up, check out [our online guide.](#)



Calling all small businesses to lead the charge to net zero

The Together for Our Planet Business Climate Leaders campaign encourages small and micro businesses to commit to cutting their emissions in half by 2030 and to net zero by 2050 or sooner through the new [UK Business Climate Hub.](#)

Small businesses can use the hub to find practical tools, resources and advice to understand their emissions and develop a plan to tackle them, as well as providing ideas for steps they can take. You can help support the campaign by [sharing information from the stakeholder toolkit](#) with the SMEs you work with.

Other news:

- [UK and US agree to strengthen ties in science and technology](#)
- [Launch of competition for young people to help make UK spaceflight history](#)

- [End of halogen light bulbs spells brighter and cleaner future](#)
 - [Government confirms plans to modernise trade union regulator](#)
 - [Government to protect workers' rights and clamp down on workplace abuse with powerful new body](#)
 - [Consultation on UK's future exhaustion of intellectual property rights regime](#)
 - [Sign up to a webinar on New Approach goods, which were previously covered by the CE marking, on Thursday 24th June](#)
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Useful links:

- [Latest BEIS news and announcements](#)
 - [Coronavirus restrictions: what you can and cannot do in England](#). See specific guidance for [Scotland](#), [Wales](#) and [Northern Ireland](#)
 - [Find out how to make your workplace COVID-secure](#)
 - [Read the roadmap: what is changing and when](#)
 - [Support for businesses and self-employed people during coronavirus](#)
 - [See all coronavirus guidance on GOV.UK](#)
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