



Shaping the next 10 years
**10th Anniversary
Conference**

Event Programme

Friday 26 September 2025
The Minster Building, 21 Mincing Lane,
London EC3R 7AG

We are pleased to release the updated edition of our conference programme, providing details of sessions and the timetable for the day. We have our final speakers to announce in due course, so do look out for programme updates!

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Morning Programme

Welcome & setting the scene

Stephen Burke, FMC Chair



The State of Family Mediation

Panel session with Rachael Blakey, James Pirrie and Simon Bruce, chaired by Beverley Sayers



Being your best

Breakout sessions focussed on the client experience, led by experts including Renee Luthra and members of the FMSB's complaints panel.



Being your best Q&A: equality law and the needs of participants

Featuring Audrey Ludwig MBE, chaired by Jo O'Sullivan



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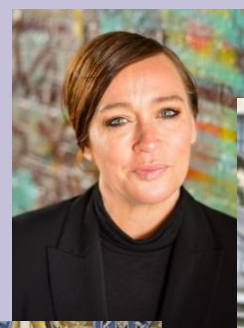


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Afternoon Programme

Keynote speaker

Minister Sarah Sackman KC MP shares the government's view of family mediation



Regulation and resources

Panel session focused on the importance of resources in supporting mediators' assessment for domestic abuse with Robert Creighton, Dr Liza Thompson and Adrienne Cox.



Shaping the future together

Breakout sessions focused on the next 10 years, led by experts including Allan Blake, Caroline Bowden, Lesley Allport, Alison Bull, Lorraine Bramwell and Rebecca Hawkins.



Challenges & opportunities in the next 10 years

Panel session with Dr Samia Bano, Sophie Kershaw and Denice Houslin, chaired by Louisa Whitney



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Timetable

Arrival

Tea, coffee and networking

From 9.30am

Opening session

10.00am – 11.30am

Coffee & networking

11.30am – 11.50am

Session 2

11.50am – 12.30pm

Lunch & networking

Your buffet lunch is included

12.30pm – 1.30pm

Session 3

1.30pm – 2.30pm

Tea & networking

2.35pm – 2.55pm

Session 4

2.55pm – 4.30pm

Conference close

4.30pm

FMC directors,
FMSB members
and FMC staff are
looking forward to
meeting delegates
throughout the day.
Please do come
and say hello!

Whilst start and finish times are fixed, there may be some changes to session times

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