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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY

Alexia has been a public servant for nearly 35 years, specialising in policy development predominantly focusing on trade and regulatory issues. She has worked for several UK Government Departments including the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the Department for Energy and Climate Change and the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy. She currently leads the trade and standards team in the Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS) – the UK’s national regulator leading on policy and providing national capacity through specialist scientific, risk and enforcement teams - within the Department for Business and Trade. In this role, Alexia is responsible for UK standards policy and manages the government’s relationship with our national standards body, the British Standards Institution. Alexia chairs a UK government forum on standards use in government and leads a team of specialists working to support trade colleagues negotiating and implementing provisions under the ‘Technical Barriers to Trade’ chapters in UK trade deals. Prior to this, Alexia managed the EU Exit programme for OPSS and has supported action on WP6 expert group on gender responsive standards. She has also worked on secondment to the European Commission for two spells, most recently in the Development Team in the DG for Trade working on World Trade Organisation issues and supporting farmers and communities in developing countries.

Outside of work, Alexia has a partner who works in university administration and two children, a son who has graduated with a degree in economics and politics and a daughter in higher education. When not working, Alexia is very active in the community supporting nature conservation activities and plays (enthusiastically) for two local netball teams.

Alexia believes she has a wealth of experience and expertise to bring to this role and can continue to help the Expert Group on Risk Management in Regulatory Systems (GRM) develop and deliver on its shared objectives.

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