

## **Lady Chief Justice to speak at London International Disputes Week**

London International Disputes Week (LIDW) has today announced the Rt Hon. the Baroness Carr of Walton-on-the-Hill, Lady Chief Justice of England and Wales, will address delegates at this year's Core Conference. Tickets are now available on the 2024 [event website](#).

Baroness Carr, who last year became the first woman to hold England and Wales's top judicial job in the near 800-year history of the role, said in a statement: "I am pleased to be addressing delegates at LIDW24 this June. The international dispute resolution community is fundamental to upholding the rule of law, the proper functioning of society, the facilitation of international trade and investment, and supporting the global economy."

Lady Carr concluded: "LIDW has an ambitious programme, and I look forward to taking part as Head of the Judiciary of England and Wales."

This year's event will focus on 'global challenge and opportunity', and will cover topics including AI, litigation funding and cross-border enforcement. Lady Carr is one of the most eminent speakers to take part in the event's history since its 2019 beginnings.

In her first [press conference](#) as Lady Chief Justice last week, she warned that London's international reputation for legal services risks being undermined by "deep-rooted" problems in the justice system, stating that "significant" investment was required to fix various issues.

The UK's court system and legal traditions are world-renowned. Its global reputation as a centre for justice and the rule of law is fundamental to the UK's status as one of the world's leading international financial centres. The UK is the largest legal services market in Europe, being valued at £43.7bn in 2022, second only to the US.

According to a recent [report](#) by TheCityUK, major international firms are drawn to the UK to access the breadth of services, seek advice from world-class legal and advisory firms, raise finance, and insure their businesses. The health of the UK legal sector is therefore intrinsically linked both to the health of the broader services ecosystem and to the continued strength of trust in the UK as a jurisdiction that provides the highest standards of justice.