

*Think*  
*new things*  
*Make*  
*new connections*

## Programme

### Russia and Ukraine

**1-2 June 2023**

(with departure after breakfast on 3 June)

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**A note about the programme:**

A largely in-person/residential Ditchley conference, with Ditchley's bespoke 'Bridge' technology permitting the inclusion, via Zoom, in sessions to be specified of invited speakers or participants.

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## Day 1 – Thursday 1 June

	In-person participants	Remote participants
	<b>Arrivals:</b> Guests arriving by train will be collected from the <b>1053</b> service from London Paddington, arriving at Charlbury at <b>1205</b> .	
<b>1245 GMT</b>	Lunch	
<b>1355 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in the <b>Library</b> .	
<b>PLENARY I</b>	<b>Where are we now? A review of facts on the ground as of 1 June</b>	
<b>1400 BST</b>	<b>Welcome</b> Director, James Arroyo, opens the conference and explains how the conference will unfold.  <b>Introductions</b> Director introduces the Speakers.	
	After introductory remarks from the Speakers, interventions are invited from the participants.	
<b>1525 BST</b>	After closing remarks from the Speakers, Director provides explanation for the remainder of the day's programme.	
<b>1530 BST</b>	Coffee in the Saloon	
	In-person participants	Remote participants
<b>1555 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in the <b>Library</b> .	
<b>PLENARY II</b>	<b>What are our aims?</b>	
<b>1600 BST</b>	<b>Introductions</b> Director introduces the Speakers.	
	After introductory remarks from the Speakers, interventions are invited from the participants.	
<b>1725 BST</b>	After closing remarks from the Speakers, Director provides explanation for the remainder of the day's programme.	
<b>1730 BST</b>	Coffee in the Saloon	
<b>1755 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in their <b>break-out rooms</b> .	
<b>Working Group discussions – Session One</b>		
<b>1930 GMT</b>	Drinks in the White Drawing Room	
<b>2000 GMT</b>	Dinner <i>Seating plan displayed in the Hall.</i>	

<b>2215 GMT</b>	For those guests who have been notified that they will be accommodated at the hotel, transport leaves Ditchley for Woodstock.	
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## Day 2 – Friday 2 June

	In-person participants	Remote participants
<b>0815 GMT</b>	Transport leaves hotel for Ditchley.	
<b>0830-0910 BST</b>	Breakfast	
<b>0915 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in their <b>break-out rooms</b> .	
<b>Working Group discussions – Session Two</b>		
<b>1045 BST</b>	Working Group discussion closes.	
	Coffee, followed by a walk around the lake (weather dependent), networking, small-group discussion, rest or work.	
<b>1245 BST</b>	Buffet lunch	
<b>1405 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in the <b>Library</b> .	
<b>PLENARY IV</b>	<b>Reports from the Working Groups</b>	
<b>1410 BST</b>	<p><b>Welcome</b> Director, James Arroyo, welcomes everyone back and explains the procedure.</p> <p><i>The Rapporteur and Chair of each working group will provide the main points, as they see them, to have emerged from their discussion, before the remaining members of that group are invited to add their comments.</i></p> <p><i>Each session will last approximately 30 minutes.</i></p>	
<b>1415 BST</b>	<b>Presentation of Group A's discussions</b>	
<b>1445 BST</b>	<b>Presentation of Group B's discussions</b>	
<b>1515 BST</b>	<b>Presentation of Group C's discussions</b>	
	In-person participants	Remote participants
<b>1545 BST</b>	Group photo, followed by afternoon tea	
<b>1615 BST</b>	Participants take their seats in the <b>Library</b> .	

<b>PLENARY V</b>	<b>Conference Rapporteur presentation</b>	
<b>1620 BST</b>	The Conference Rapporteur will provide their reflections on the discussions over the course of the conference, identify unresolved questions or areas where agreement was not reached; and highlight any conclusions or concrete recommendations that may have emerged.  Brief final interventions from the participants	
<b>1655 BST</b>	Director's closing remarks	
<b>1700 BST</b>	<b>Conference closes</b>  Brief break (coffee available in the Saloon)	
<b>1720 GMT</b>	Transport leaves Ditchley for hotel.	
	<b>Conference Briefing</b>	
	The following session will bring an invited audience from the wider Ditchley community, via Zoom, to hear a presentation of the of the main findings, lines of discussion and conclusions (if any) from the conference, and to participate in a Q&A, all subject to the Ditchley Rule.	
<b>1720 BST</b>	Panellists, and those wishing to participate, take their seats in the <b>Library</b> for a post-conference presentation to a wider Ditchley audience.	A Zoom Waiting Room will be in operation until the formal start time of 1730 GMT. <i>You will be sent a separate Zoom link for this briefing.</i>
<b>1230 EDT</b> <b>1730 BST</b> <b>1830 CEST</b> <b>1930 EEST</b>	Briefing for an invited Ditchley audience, followed by a Q&A:  <b>Russia and Ukraine</b>	
<b>1330 EDT</b> <b>1830 BST</b> <b>1930 CEST</b> <b>2030 EEST</b>	Briefing closes	
<b>1900 GMT</b>	Transport leaves hotel for Ditchley.	
<b>1915 BST</b>	Drinks in the White Drawing Room	
<b>2000 BST</b>	Black-tie Dinner and overnight <i>Seating plan displayed in the Hall.</i>	
<b>2230 GMT</b>	Transport leaves Ditchley for hotel.	

**Legend:**

**EDT** Eastern Daylight Time  
**CEST** Central European Summer Time  
**EEST** Eastern European Summer Time

/Day 3 – Saturday 3 June

## Day 3 – Saturday 3 June

### Guests accommodated at Hotel

- 0745 GMT** Drivers: Transport leaves for Ditchley, so that you can retrieve your car. Breakfast at Ditchley.
- 0800 GMT** Non-drivers: Breakfast at Hotel
- 0915 GMT** Transport leaves Hotel for Hanborough Station, for the 0935 train to Paddington (arrives 1044); and to Heathrow airport.

### Guests accommodated at Ditchley

- 0800 GMT** Breakfast  
(please place your luggage outside your door before you go to breakfast)
- 0900 GMT** Transport to Charlbury station for 0927 train to Paddington (arrives 1044)

#### NOTE 1: Luggage

It is helpful if your luggage is labelled with your name, so that your luggage may more easily be directed on arrival and departure.

If you are staying at the hotel:

On Thursday afternoon, your luggage will be transferred to the hotel, and our Staff will arrange your check in. You will receive your room key on Thursday afternoon and will have immediate access to your room on arrival after dinner on Thursday evening.

If you are staying at Ditchley:

Please place your baggage (other than hats, coats and hand luggage) outside your bedroom **by 8am** on Saturday, so that it may be collected and brought to the Hall ready for departure. Individual arrangements will be made should anyone need to leave earlier.

Please note: Luggage will be arranged in the Hall according to whether you are travelling to the station, to the airport or by car. Please check that your luggage is in the correct place prior to your departure and avoid placing belongings in the vicinity of luggage destined for the station or airport if that is not where you are travelling.

#### NOTE 2: Internet Access

Wi-fi is available throughout the main house and Lower House. The network name is 'Ditchley Guest' and no password is required.