

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US AT THE NORTHBANK BID'S  
SMALL BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENT  
MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2015**

Dear Colleague,

We are delighted to invite you and your colleagues to join us at The Northbank's first local small business networking lunch for small businesses, start up's and future entrepreneurs in the area.

The event will be attended by the Northbank BID's board of directors and will be a chance to meet them and learn more about our commitment to the local business community alongside also gaining access to local business support networks, hearing about business support packages, and talks from a range of different business leaders about their innovative business models and top tips for success in today's business climate.

We very much want the event to be a chance for both larger and smaller businesses to share ideas and best practice to generate a culture of buying locally and make the most of the diversity and talent of our local businesses. Our key speakers are **Emma Jones founder of Enterprise Nation**, the UK's most active small business network, and **John Dickie, Head of Strategy and Policy at London First**. We are also pleased to have an inspiring line up of panel speakers who will take part in chaired discussion with Q&A about their business journeys and views on business growth and success.

Full details of the itinerary are attached overleaf and the event will take place at the **Exeter Suite, Strand Palace Hotel, Strand, WC2R 0JJ**.

Please do RSVP by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February** to reserve your place to Nicki Palmer (0203 697 9270) or by email; [nicki@thenorthbank.org](mailto:nicki@thenorthbank.org)

We very much look forward to seeing you there at what will surely be an inspiring and informative event.

Yours sincerely



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## Agenda and speakers

### 11.45 Registration

**Noon** Opening remarks

**Key note speaker 1:** Emma Jones - Enterprise Nation

**Speaker Alistair Subba Row** - Senior Partner; Farebrother

### 12.30 Lunch & Networking

There will be representatives from the UK-ID to speak to about the Growth Accelerator fund and the CIPD about their HR business support pilots for SME's

**Panel Discussion** Mark E.J. Hislop; Commercial Director, Somerset House, Trewin Restorick; CEO Hubbub, Alasdair Inglis; MD of Grow, Christina Richardson; Founder, Brand Gathering.

**Key note speaker 2:** John Dickie – Head of Strategy and Policy, London First

**1400** Close

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