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Guernsey's chief politician speaks to Jersey directors

Guernsey's senior politician will be talking to business leaders in Jersey tomorrow, **Tuesday 18 October**, at an Institute of Directors' lunch, sponsored by JT.

Deputy Gavin St. Pier will be speaking to the IoD about closer island cooperation at The Grand Jersey Hotel & Spa in St Helier.

The talk is the first in a series of five Institute of Directors' lunches in Jersey. The lunch will begin with networking drinks in the Champagne Lounge from midday. Lunch begins at 12.30 pm and will end at 2 pm.

Deputy St. Pier was elected President of the Policy & Resources Committee in May following a restructuring of government. He was previously the Island's Treasury & Resources Minister and was a member of the States Review Committee. A chartered accountant and qualified barrister, he was first elected to the States of Guernsey in 2012.

Deputy St. Pier said: "Given so many common challenges - including Brexit and the management of public finances - I will speak about the opportunities for, and the barriers to the States of Guernsey and the Government of Jersey working more closely together."

Paul D Taylor, Managing Director of JT's Global Enterprise Business Unit, said: "JT is proud to sponsor this latest series of IoD lunches because we appreciate their value to the business community. Being a pan-island business, JT is supportive of efforts to strengthen links between Jersey, Guernsey and the other Channel Islands. Each island is unique and there are obvious differences, many to be celebrated, but there are far more opportunities for us to join together than keep us apart."

Event details can be found at www.iod.je and the next seminar in the series will be held on 15 November, when the speaker will be independent non-executive director Charlotte Valeur. Her topic will be 'Boards: How important is best practice'.

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