

Developing a new international strategy for Wales

This will be the key message at a reception held at the Senedd.

Speaking at one of her first engagements as the new Minister for International Relations Eluned Morgan will say:

“At this crucial moment when the relationship between Wales and the rest of the world will be determined – we are keen in the Welsh Government to send a message out loud and clear that whatever the outcome of the Brexit negotiations – we in Wales will not be turning back on the world and in particular on our nearest and closest neighbours in the European Union.”

The Minister will emphasise:

“Over the next few months the Welsh Government will reach out to the public and in particular those engaged in international roles to ask them to help shape the image and message that Wales should be presenting to the world. The Government is anxious to build on the strong international links that have been developed over past decades which will help to enrich the country economically socially and culturally.”

Eluned Morgan will explain to the international gathering that Wales is the most stable place politically to invest in the UK, with the Westminster Parliament in London in chaos, Scotland threatening independence and Northern Ireland still without a sitting Assembly.

The International Strategy will be founded on a clear set of values which will help to present Wales' face internationally – including a commitment to sustainability and future generations, the promotion of the principles of Fair Work and a fundamental belief in the fact that we will achieve more to tackle some of the major challenges of our age -digital technology, tackling poverty and inequality, taking on environmental challenges and climate change, through working together across territorial boundaries.