

# Press release: Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores y Presidente de Panamá comparten espíritu deportivo por la Copa Mundial

*Updated:* A few grammar corrections.

Hoy el Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores, Boris Johnson, intercambió camisetas de fútbol con el Presidente de Panamá, Juan Carlos Varela.

El mes que viene, Inglaterra y Panamá se enfrentarán durante 90 minutos en la Copa Mundial, pero hoy están en el mismo equipo, enfocados en el bienestar de los seguidores que viajarán durante el torneo.

Los gobiernos de los 31 países clasificados han estado trabajando juntos para preparar la Copa Mundial, ayudando a las autoridades rusas a mejorar la seguridad de los aficionados de todos los países, incluidos el Reino Unido y Panamá.

Después de entregar la camiseta que la selección de Inglaterra lucirá en el partido del 24 de junio, el Ministro de Asuntos Exteriores recibió agradecido una camiseta panameña. Esta será la primera participación de Panamá en una fase final de la Copa del Mundo.

El Ministro de Asuntos Exteriores dijo:

“El mes que viene, Inglaterra y Panamá jugarán el uno contra el otro en la Copa Mundial, así que estaremos en lados opuestos durante 90 minutos. Pero antes, durante y después de ese partido, compartimos una de las principales prioridades de la Copa Mundial: la seguridad de nuestros nacionales.”

Desde que iniciamos los preparativos hace más de dos años, nuestro personal ha visitado las 11 ciudades anfitrionas, ha trabajado en estrecha colaboración con las autoridades locales, se ha reunido con representantes de los 31 países participantes y ha lanzado nuestra [Campaña Be On The Ball](#), que ofrece a los aficionados una guía especializada en la Copa Mundial y consejos para estar preparados para Rusia.

Esto incluye asegurarse de que tiene un seguro de viaje adecuado, los números de emergencia necesarios y la información sobre el ID del FAN. Por supuesto, también animamos a los aficionados a ser buenos huéspedes en Rusia y a permanecer atentos a las leyes y costumbres locales.

Se calcula que entre 4.000 y 10.000 aficionados ingleses viajarán a Rusia, donde el Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores tiene representación permanente en tres de las 11 sedes de la Copa del Mundo (Moscú, Ekaterimburgo y San Petersburgo), y contará con un equipo móvil en las ciudades donde juega

Inglaterra.

El Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores ha estado asesorando a los aficionados que viajan a través de la campaña Be On The Ball.

El partido Inglaterra-Panamá tendrá lugar el 24 de junio en Nizhni Nóvgorod.

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## [News story: London Seminar: Understanding outcomes, measures and metrics \(3 July, 2018\)](#)

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## **News story: Help Ofqual evaluate 2018's new GCSEs, AS and A levels**

We are inviting teachers from across the country to workshops to offer their perspectives on the assessment of this summer's reformed GCSEs, AS and A levels.

The workshops will be our first opportunity to gather qualitative evidence about things that have gone well and any areas of concern. Your feedback will contribute to our thinking about the effectiveness of the reform programme.

The workshops will be held in October, November and December in a central Coventry location, within walking distance of the main railway station. These are free events with a limited number of places. Your travel expenses will be reimbursed and lunch will be provided.

Ideally we would like you to have taught the qualification, in its legacy and reformed version. This is so you can comment on the changes and challenges of the new qualifications and how they have been addressed.

We hope that you are able to take advantage of this opportunity to have your say and share your experiences with us.

[Register to attend a November workshop](#)

We will email you by the end of September to tell you if you have been selected to take part in the workshop.

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## **News story: Prospering from the energy revolution: full programme details**

Government is investing in a new Prospering from the Energy Revolution Challenge. UK Research and Innovation has announced further details of its fund for research and industry to develop future smart energy systems and prove their use at scale.

The energy revolution challenge will bring together businesses working with the best research and expertise. Together they will develop and demonstrate new approaches to provide cleaner, cheaper and more resilient energy. This includes providing energy in ways that consumers want by linking low-carbon power, heating and transport systems with energy storage and advanced IT to create intelligent, local energy systems and services.

This is part of the [Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund](#).

[Register for the online briefing tomorrow 15 May 2018 to find out more about the energy revolution challenge and current funding opportunities.](#)

## **3 areas of investment**

The funding will be available for:

### **Smart local energy systems demonstrators and designs**

Government will invest in fast-tracking up to 3 practical local energy systems demonstrators and around 10 whole system design studies. The practical demonstrators will build supply chain capabilities, deliver positive changes for energy consumers, and inform future projects. The design studies will create a pipeline of investable projects for the future.

### **Innovation Accelerator Fund**

The Innovation Accelerator Fund will develop and commercialise smart local energy system products and services, and engage with the best international research and innovation opportunities.

### **Research and Integration Services**

A world-leading, inter-disciplinary research programme will be commissioned to work alongside the [Energy Systems Catapult](#). The programme will provide coordination and technical support to demonstration and design projects.

## **Find out more**

The demonstrator and concept design competitions are open for applications.

[Find out how to apply into these competitions.](#)

Businesses and researchers can find out more about the open competitions and challenge by registering for our [briefing event webcast](#) tomorrow 15 May 2018.

Full details of the remaining competitions and funding will be announced shortly.

## **More about the challenge**

The Industrial Strategy Challenge Fund will make sure that research and innovation is at the heart of government's Industrial Strategy. This sets out 4 grand challenges in industries in which the UK is determined to pioneer progress.

The energy revolution falls under the clean growth challenge, which will support the UK to be a world leader in low-carbon technologies, systems and services.

[Register to find out more about the energy revolution challenge.](#)

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## **Press release: Foreign Secretary and President of Panama in sporting gesture ahead of the World Cup**

Today the Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson swapped football shirts with the President of Panama, Juan Carlos Varela.

Next month, England and Panama will face off for 90 minutes at the World Cup – but today they were both on the same side as focus turned to their travelling fans during the tournament.

Governments from all 31 qualified nations have been working together to prepare for the World Cup, helping the Russian authorities improve safety and security for fans from all countries, including the UK and Panama.

After handing over the shirt that the England team will be sporting when they take to the turf in the match on the 24th June, the Foreign Secretary gratefully received a Panamanian shirt in return. This will be Panama's first ever appearance at a World Cup Finals.

The Foreign Secretary said:

Next month, England and Panama will play against one another in the World Cup, so we'll be on opposing sides for 90 minutes.

But before, during and after that game we share a top priority for the World Cup – the safety and security of our nationals.

Since our preparations began more than two years ago, our staff have visited all eleven host cities, worked closely with local authorities, met with representatives from all 31 competing nations and launched our Be On The Ball campaign, which offers fans specialist World Cup guidance and advice for being ready for Russia.

This includes ensuring you have appropriate travel insurance, necessary emergency numbers and information on the all-important FAN ID. We also of course encourage fans to be good guests in Russia and to remain mindful of

any local laws and customs.

An estimated 4,000-10,000 England fans will travel to Russia, where the FC0 has permanent representation in three of the 11 world cup host cities (Moscow, Ekaterinburg, St Petersburg), and will have a mobile team in the cities where England play.

The Foreign Office have been advising travelling fans through the Be On The Ball Campaign, which can be found by visiting [here](#).

The England v Panama game will take place on 24 June in Nizhny Novgorod.

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