



UK-EU Reset: What To Expect

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The UK-EU Reset

- Global context
- What is the reset?
- What might change?
- What will not change?
- What next?

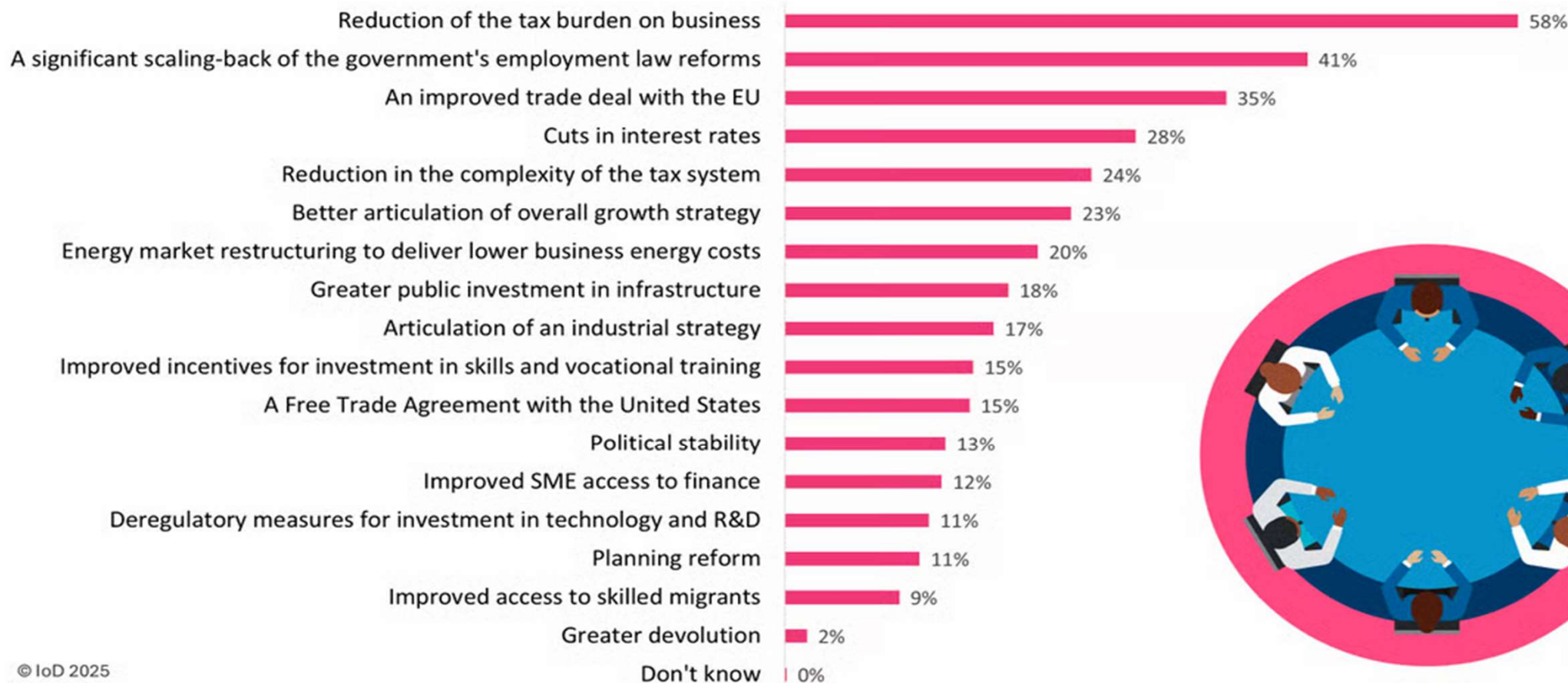


Global Context

- Is this good for the UK?
- Is this good for horticulture?
- What about other trade deals?
- What are the opportunities?
- What are the risks?



Which of the following would do most to boost business confidence in 2025? Please choose up to three.



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Source: Institute of Directors, 2025 "Top Business Boosters"

UK Government Ambitions

3 areas to target



- An SPS agreement which harmonises regulatory requirements on ‘high-risk’ food and plant products.



- Easier access for touring artists in the EU



- An agreement for the mutual recognition of professional qualifications

EU Ambitions

1 special area to target



- A Youth Mobility Scheme to allow 18-30 year olds to travel and work between the UK and EU.
 - “Youth Experience Scheme”

Before (and still today)

Where were we before the EU-UK Strategic Partnership was announced

- Border Targeting Operating Model in operation
- Checks at the borders from 30/4/2025
- Phytosanitary Certificates (import & export)
- Separate Plant Passporting regime
- Reduction in exports
- Separate plant variety rights registration
- Separate seed testing & marketing requirements
- Separate chemical / PPP regimes



What is the EU-UK Strategic Partnership

What is the SPS common area and what will be negotiated?

- 19 May deal agreed a common Sanitary Phytosanitary area
- Includes plant health and includes animals & animal products (agri-food)
- “dynamic alignment” with EU i.e. UK will follow EU plant health rules
- Checks & certification removed
- Closer EU-UK collaboration (Govt to Govt)
- Access to EU’s agencies, systems and databases
- National measures reintroduced?
- EU plant passporting system?



What's included / not included or not known

What's in or out of negotiations, and what might we end up with...

In

All plants
Bulbs
All plant products
Growing media
Soil
Cut flowers
Cut foliage
Christmas Trees
Seeds
Seed certification

Animals & animal products

Animal By products e.g. blood,
fish and bone, fat balls, chicken
guano etc

Plant protection products

This Means

Removal of checks & certificates
Joint EU-UK Plant passports
National measures
Protected Zones
HRP bans lifted
Removal of barriers to trade GB-NI

Out

CITES

Customs

Return to single market

This Means

CITES permits still reqd
Customs declarations still
to be made
Continue as now until
negotiations concluded &
implemented

Unknown

Plant Variety Rights

Pre-notification
(using IPAFFS or any
other system)

This Means

May or may not be
part of negotiations

Possible pitfalls & challenges

- Issues at the border continue
- Trade GB-NI remains difficult
- EU regulatory divergence, since Brexit & ongoing
- Current HTA activities – what will happen e.g.
 - Electronic plant passporting pilot group
 - Authorised Operator Status pilot
 - UK Plant Health Fees increases – when? If?
 - Submitting HRP dossiers to EFSA ceased
- How will APHA redeploy resource currently at BCPs
- How have other organisations / sectors welcomed the deal?

Nothing's agreed
until everything's
agreed



What's next

For the SPS deal...

HTA
attending
pesticides
Working
Group

- Negotiations will commence very shortly
 - Expected to take 6-9 months
 - Then 12 months to implement
 - Total 18 months estimated
- Meetings with SPS teams, relevant officials & Ministers already
- EU recommendation on SPS & ETS published last week
- HTA continue in Domestic Advisory Group
- HTA continue international engagement programme, working with other trade associations and representatives around EU
- HTA will continue to work on current border issues
- Please remain compliant, and encourage suppliers to do so too
- HTA will represent members interests



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Thank you

QUESTIONS?