

Statement from The King's College Conservative Association
Immediate
01st November 2022

The Port & Policy Event of 27th October 2022

The King's College London Conservative Association is committed to comprehensive, open and robust debate. In this regard, it is a leader at KCL and within the wider London university environment for freedom of speech and ideas-led discourse.

On Thursday 27th October 2022, the Association held a Port & Policy event co-hosted with the KCL Israel Society. As you know, this was held under the [Chatham House Rule](#), as was clearly communicated multiple times at the start of the event and each debate. The Association notes that *Roar* has given an assurance that this will be upheld in their reporting.

We take seriously any inappropriate and offensive behaviour. The clothing attendees wear is a matter for their own consideration and choice. KCLCA does not presuppose somebody's ethnic background or assume their standpoint or views by the clothes a person wears.

With regard to inappropriate shouted remarks, the person concerned was not a KCL student nor a member of the Association and is subject to an investigation linked to a disciplinary process which may lead to the individual being banned from any future KCLCA event. In the same instant, the attendee was admonished by committee members.

It would not be proper to comment further on an ongoing investigation.

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Notes:

1. Information on the Chatham House Rules from the website of the Royal Institute of International Affairs (alias Chatham House): <http://www.chathamhouse.org/about-us/chatham-house-rule>