

# Universities UK headquarters hosted Islamic extremist group, despite national student union ban

A radical Islamist group which the Government has threatened to ban was invited to give a talk at the headquarters of Universities UK, [University of Westminster in 2012.](#)

*Earlier this year he also spoke at another Universities UK venue, the Woburn House Conference Centre on the subject "Is the Caliphate a viable alternative for the Middle East?"*

*All speaker events at universities are supposed to follow government Prevent Policy guidance and Hannah Stuart, co-head of the security and extremism unit at Policy Exchange, said it is "astonishing" that Universities UK hosted an event featuring Hizb ut-Tahrir on its own premises.?*

*However UUK say that Woburn house was hired by an outside organisation, for what they described as a 'Great Debate'. had they known that a member of Hizb ut-Tahrir was to speak they would not have permitted it; they were misled by the organisers and they will not be doing business with them (whoever they are) again.*