

## ***Is business ready for an ageing nation: economic opportunities for an ageing population – speakers' and panellists' biographies***

### **Mike Turley**



Mike leads the Public Sector business for Deloitte, covering Audit, Tax, Consulting and Corporate Finance.

He joined Deloitte in late 2005 from IBM where he was General Manager in charge of their Civil Government business. Prior to that, Mike spent nearly 20 years with PWC, latterly as a Partner. He has worked extensively across most of the Public Sector, including Ministry of Defence,

Home Office, Department for Transport, and in Local Government.

He has particular interest in interfacing between Public and Private Sectors having worked with many Government departments to procure private sector partners and having worked with or alongside organisations like IBM, Fujitsu, EDS, Siemens etc.

### **The Rt Hon Pat McFadden MP**



Pat McFadden is the Minister for Business, Innovation and Skills.

He was born in Paisley in 1965 and grew up in Glasgow, the youngest of seven children. He went to Holy Cross Primary school and later to Holyrood Secondary School. After leaving school he studied politics at Edinburgh University.

When Tony Blair was elected Labour leader in 1994, Pat was asked to stay on to work in a variety of posts for Mr Blair including Policy Adviser both in opposition and in 10 Downing Street and later served as the Prime Minister's Political Secretary.

In 2005 he was selected to fight the constituency of Wolverhampton South East where he succeeded Dennis Turner who had represented the constituency for 18 years.

In May 2006 he was appointed Parliamentary Secretary at the Cabinet Office, supporting the Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, Hilary Armstrong in particular on Social Exclusion, e-government and Better Regulation.

In July 2007 he was appointed Minister of State for Employment Relations and Postal Affairs at the Department for Business, Enterprise and Regulatory Reform.

## **Vicky Pryce**



Vicky has been Director General, Economics at the Department for Business, Innovation & Skills since August 2002. She is also Joint Head of the Government Economic Service, overseeing some 1,500 public sector economists. Vicky is a Fellow of the Society of Business Economists, a visiting Fellow at Nuffield College, Oxford, Visiting Professor at CASS Business School, City University, and sits on the Council of the University of Kent and of the Royal Society for the encouragement of Arts (RSA).

She is a member of the International Advisory Board of British American Business Inc (BABI), on the Advisory Board for the Centre for International Business and Management (CIBAM) at the Judge Institute at Cambridge University, on the Research Advisory Board at the Association of British Insurers and on the Standing Advisory Group of the Financial Reporting Review Panel.

Previously Vicky was Partner at London Economics, Chief Economist and Partner at the accountancy and consultancy firm KPMG, Corporate Economist at ESSO Europe, and Chief Economist at Williams & Glyn's Bank (later Royal Bank of Scotland).

## **George Magnus**



George Magnus is Senior Economic Adviser, UBS Investment Bank, and author of the book *The Age of Aging: how demographics are changing the global economy and our world*, published by John Wiley & Sons in October 2008.

George has a long and successful career in the financial services industry, having worked with Lloyds, Bank of America, UK stockbroker Laurie Milbank, merchant bank S G Warburg, and then UBS. He was the Chief Economist at UBS from 1995 until 2005.

He has written and extensively for UBS and in the media on many features and facets of the financial and economic crisis, and what this signals for the future of our economies. He has also written and spoken much in the media and at conferences and events on the core issues associated with ageing

societies. George Magnus is a member of the Secretary of State's Panel on the Economy.

### **Barbara Beck**



Barbara Beck is a senior staff member of *The Economist*, a weekly current-affairs magazine with a circulation of 1.4 million. As Special Reports Editor she is responsible for the magazine's regular 15-page features on countries, industries and ideas. She has recently written an in-depth report on the impact of ageing populations around the world.

At earlier points in her career she has been the magazine's European Editor and written extensively about business, finance and economics. Elsewhere she has worked as editor-in-chief of *International Management*, a European business magazine; head of communications in Europe for Andersen Consulting (now Accenture); and Secretary-General of the Anglo-German Foundation for the Study of Industrial Society, a bilateral think-tank.

Born and brought up in Germany, she has lived and worked in London for most of her life. One of her private interests is the Reform Club, founded in 1836, where she became the first woman Chairman and is now a Trustee.

### **Gus Desbarats**



Gus is chairman, co- owner & founder of The Alloy, a team of consultants and practitioners specialising in product design, interaction design and innovation strategy that helps organisations of all kinds achieve more effective innovation through better connections between people and technology.

With joint qualifications in design and engineering Gus has been directing the creation of better connections between people and technology for 25 years, over many hundred successful innovation projects, for many clients all over the world, mostly in IT/comms. He designed his first mobile phone in 1991 and has led BT's terminal design for 19 years. His current activities range from advising a technology companies on experience led innovation strategy to plotting a future path for the UK's creative industries. Gus is a frequent speaker on various topics from future trends through branding via device experience to lean innovation.

## David Chilvers



David Chilvers is chief executive of NHS Innovations London, which works with London NHS Trusts to identify promising innovations, provide a swift, objective analysis of their commercial potential, secure appropriate intellectual property protection and support inventors and their teams to fast track ideas to market. David obtained his Ph.D. in Clinical Biochemistry from the University of Leeds carrying out research in the department of Medical Physics and the MRC Mineral Metabolism Unit at Leeds General Infirmary. He initially worked as a scientific advisor to the United Nations Environment Program and WHO before moving into marketing with Hewlett-Packard in Germany in 1984. Subsequently he has worked internationally in a variety of senior and Board level marketing, business development and general management positions in multinational and start-up companies in the medical, biotechnology and IT industries including Quadrant Healthcare, LION Bioscience and Iomega. In 2003, David returned to the UK and has worked in private and public sector change management and organisational development, including the recent formation of Skills for Justice for the Home Office.

## Laurie South



PRIME is a national charity dedicated to helping older people start and run their own businesses. Laurie South was appointed chief executive of PRIME in October 2002 and has grown and developed the size, influence and impact of the PRIME so that its expertise in 50+ self-employment and social enterprise is now recognised and acknowledged. PRIME helps over 4,000 people a year. Laurie has held senior positions in education in the Zambia, and also in a trade union, local government, a leading further education support charity, a TEC, and a local authority support organisation.

## Ros Altmann



Ros Altmann is an independent expert on pensions policy, investment banking, savings and retirement. She is an economist by training and an investment banker by profession, having extensive experience of all areas of pensions, from state pension policy to investment management of pension funds.

Before her City career, Ros was an academic at University College London, London School of Economics and at Harvard University, researching and publishing on UK pension policy, occupational pensions and retirement. After this, Ros managed institutional investment portfolios for 15 years, including pension funds, insurance funds and mutual funds, as well as advising central banks and private client fund managers. She was Head of Equities at Chase Manhattan's International Investment Operation in London, and a Director at Rothschild Asset Management and at NatWest Investment Management.

Her policy advisory work specialises in pensions and investment-related issues. She was a consultant to the UK Treasury on the Myners Review of Institutional Investment and has worked on pensions policy issues with the Number 10 Policy Unit. She successfully spearheaded a campaign, lasting over 5 years, to force the UK Government to compensate 150,000 workers who lost their final salary company pensions after being falsely assured by the Government that their pensions were completely safe. She is a frequent media commentator on pension issues and regularly writes articles and speaks at conferences on pension reform.