

**Regulatory Policy 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference**

**Merton College, Oxford, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September 2016**

**The evolution of UK regulatory policy in retrospect: What has worked well? What hasn't worked well? What can be learned from the experiences?**

**Discussion session timings, chairs and panel speakers**

The object is an extended discussion and assessment of the policy record, led off in each session by chairs and panel contributors. Proceedings of the event, comprising a summary record of the discussions plus supplementary notes and papers, will be published. Views of Distinguished Fellows unable to be present will be conveyed by colleagues.

Sessions will take place in the T.S. Eliot Lecture Theatre, the Distinguished Fellows' Dinner, breakfast and lunch will be in the College Hall.

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**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September**

**12.50-13.50 Registration**

**13.50-15.25 Early-stage liberalisation and market opening issues**

Chair and opening speaker: Sir Bryan Carsberg

Panel speakers: Eileen Marshall (also conveying views of Clare Spottiswoode)  
Stephen Littlechild  
Sir Ian Byatt  
Sir Callum McCarthy

Break

**15.45-17.35 Liberalisation and competition policy in more developed market contexts**

Chair and opening speaker: Harry Bush

Panel speakers: Stephen Littlechild  
Steve Smith  
Michael Cutting  
Tom Sharpe QC  
Alex Neill

Short break

**17.45 Zeeman Lecture: Peter Freeman, "Better to travel hopefully than to arrive"? The Reform of UK Competition Law 1991-2016**

**19.15 Distinguished Fellows dinner, Merton College Hall**

## **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**

Breakfast

### **09.00-10.30 Responses to variations in regulatory contexts and the emergence of new issues**

Chair and opening speaker: Sir Callum McCarthy

Panel speakers: Sir Ian Byatt  
Lord Currie  
George Yarrow (also conveying views of Sir John Vickers)

Break

### **10.50-12.15 The evolution of network price determination processes**

Chair and opening speaker: David Gray

Panel Speakers: Sir Ian Byatt  
Harry Bush  
Stephen Littlechild  
Steve Smith

### **12.15-13.00 Keynote address: John Pierce, Chair, Australian Energy Market Commission on the evolution of energy regulation in Australia**

Lunch

### **14.00-15.25 Organisational cultures and governance**

Chair and opening speaker: Martin Stanley

Panel Speakers: Sir Callum McCarthy  
Eileen Marshall  
Lord Currie  
Maxine Frerk

Short break

### **15.35-17.00 Learning from others**

Chair and opening speaker: Euan Morton (Synergies, Brisbane)

Panel speakers: John Pierce  
Mark Jamison (PURC, Florida)  
Graham Shuttleworth  
George Yarrow (also conveying views of Irwin Stelzer)

**17.00** Close