

SPEAKER PROGRAMME 2015

Devonshire House Network is a people-focused membership club for Director-level professionals in leadership roles who have an instinctive focus on the human side of enterprise.

DHN is delighted to announce its Speaker Programme for the 2015 Season.

We express our sincere gratitude to those top UK National Leaders in their different fields who have agreed to talk to us and whose details are set out below.

With more detailed information at: www.DevonshireHouseNetwork.co.uk

DHN Members – and guests – are themselves, Leaders and, whilst we are all looking for information and knowledge, particularly about areas outside our normal range of activities, what we are really seeking are those valued insights and often contrary views that are integral to balanced judgments.

At DHN, we have tried to create the best programme to support the best UK Business Managers within the best Network.

■ **21st January 2015 - Christine Blower, General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers**

With nearly fifteen registered teachers' unions in the UK, the National Union of Teachers is the largest with just over 300k members. Christine Blower is the eleventh General Secretary of the National Union of Teachers.

■ **17th February 2015 - Angela Knight, CEO of Energy UK**

Energy is now centre-stage in the UK's list of major national concerns – at all levels. Are all our lights going to go out? - is the trendy question. Energy UK is the trade association for the energy industry.

■ **26th March 2015 - Professor John Womersley, Chief Executive Officer of the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC)**

Do you remember the Government banging on about "a balanced recovery"? If you take the view that what this really means is that science, technology, innovation, high-tech manufacturing, using research to push forward commercial and economic progress is vital, then you won't be surprised to find the STFC at the beating heart of this crucial process.

■ **28th April 2015 - Dr Tim Hands, Vice-Chairman of HMC (the Headmasters' and Headmistresses' Conference)**

In the run-up to the General Election, Education will, no doubt, be a hotter topic than at present. Whilst the focus will surely be on state education, finding out more about what is happening with independent schools- at home and abroad - is vital in developing a balanced view.

■ **2nd June 2015 - Jon Moulton, Founder of Better Capital**

Jon Moulton has spoken at Devonshire House on a previous occasion. We remember, in particular, Jon's well-known liking for challenging accepted practices and beliefs in Private equity and M&A and associated areas. We are delighted to welcome him back – and to see what - if anything - has changed and what is new!

■ **8th July 2015 - Len McClusky, General Secretary of Unite the Union**

Len will be talking to us a few weeks after the General Election – and it will be fascinating to see how the UK – or what is left of it (written here pre-18.9.14) – is being positioned by both controlled and uncontrolled forces in terms of people at work – and what Len thinks about it!

■ **20th October 2015 - Andrew G Haldane, Chief Economist, Bank of England**

At the time of writing this – in December 2014 – it has to be virtually impossible to envisage exactly what we'll be hearing from Andy Haldane. But Andy Haldane could not be any closer to the heart of the UK's economy – whatever its condition turns out to be towards the end of next year.

DHN Members have a serious interest in all aspects of people at work and how people can flourish within whatever and wherever the work environment and context may be...