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SPEAKER:
Professor Simon Deakin, University of Cambridge
'The simultaneous fall and rise of mutuality'

Chaired by Professor Ewan Brown, Chairman Lloyds TSB Scotland

to be held at
The Royal Society of Edinburgh, George Street, Edinburgh
6.00pm Wednesday 23 June 2004

Professor Brian Main, Director of The David Hume Institute said: "The Institute is delighted to welcome Professor Simon Deakin to present this seminar. This seminar examines the mutual form of business organisation and focuses on the distinct governance issues that arise in this form of organisation. It also examines the impact of the changing legal interpretations of members' property rights within building societies and other mutual organisations, and asks how accountability in mutuals works. Although this seminar is not about any particular company, there are policy implications regarding the de-mutualisation movement that has made such an impact on the Scottish financial sector over recent years. We are grateful to the ESRC for their sponsorship of this seminar"

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Professor Simon Deakin

B.A. and Ph.D. in Law from the University of Cambridge; Bigelow Fellow, University of Chicago Law School, 1986-87; Lecturer in Law, Queen Mary College, London, 1987-90; Lecturer, then Reader, in the Faculty of Law at Cambridge between 1990 and 2001; from October 2001, Robert Monks Professor of Corporate Governance in the Judge Institute of Management Studies, University of Cambridge and Yorke Professorial Research Fellow in the Faculty of Law; Visiting Professor of Law, Columbia University, 2003. Present research projects include work on corporate law and economic performance; mutuality; social dialogue and capabilities in Europe; reflexive law and democratic governance; and the modernisation of employment institutions.

Research Area:

Corporate governance, contracts, labour market regulation, competition policy.

Projects:

- Social Dialogue, Employment and Territories: towards a European politics of capabilities
- Reflexive Law and Democratic Governance
- The Governance of Mutuality
- Corporate Law and Economic Performance
- Updating Employment Institutions and Governance
- The Implementation of the Working Time Directive in the UK

Notes to Editors:

The views that will be expressed by the speaker are his own and do not commit the Trustees or Officers of the Institute in any way.

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