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- Guidance
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From the Chairman



Annual Dinner

Firstly may I say thank you to Nicola and her team for ensuring that the President's Dinner was a great success. I think all those that attended will agree that the venue was perfect for the dinner and the careful planning, choice of food and excellent service made it a very enjoyable evening.

It was also a great pleasure to welcome some of our new members who were able to attend the dinner. Along with presentations to two new Fellows the new members were presented with their certificates by our President, Lord Saville of Newdigate. I hope that they will attend many more future events along with other new members.

Technical Guidance

As you will be aware there are now several Fact Sheets produced by The Academy and the latest one 'Conflicts of Interest' has now been finalised and is available. You should already have received it but if not then it is, as with all of the other TAE Fact Sheets, available for download from the Member Area of the website.

We are always looking for new topics to cover

and indeed for interested members to produce or assist with producing Fact Sheets so do please get in touch with the office if you would like to get involved.

I am pleased to say that we continue to get a steady stream of new members but we could always do with more. If you know of anyone either in your personal or professional life who may be interested in becoming a member we would be delighted to speak to them or welcome them as a guest at one of our meetings. As you will be aware, we have several membership grades and the office will be able to advise on the most appropriate grade for the person you have in mind.

Looking forward, we are now planning for our AGM which will take place on the 13th October. There will shortly be a formal call for nominations for Council. We know that there are many members out there who have a passion for making sure that the work they undertake as experts and mediators is of the highest standard and as such they would make excellent Council Members.

For those who are coming to the end of your

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From the Chairman continued

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professional life, perhaps you would like to still be involved, please don't think that you would not be eligible to stand for election, your experience would be of great value. It may be that if you don't want to stand for election, you may be interested on being appointed to a sub committee to deal with a particular topic or issue.

If you feel, whether you are still in full practice or in retirement, that you could

give a few hours a month as a member of council or be involved in any other way, we would be very pleased to hear from you. Most meetings are followed by an Evening Meeting or other event should you wish to attend and make the most from the networking opportunities The Academy events provide for members.

Most experts and mediators find that they are quieter in later summer, particularly August so let's hope that we have some

good weather on the horizon so that we can all recharge our batteries. If you do get chance for a few minutes relaxation, may I suggest that you spend a few minutes having a look on The Academy website, you may be surprised to see what is on there!

Regards
Sue Bayram
Chairman
July 2016

Photographs from this year's dinner are available from: <http://goo.gl/qhDD2w>



*Lord Saville and his guests at the President's Dinner
from left - Eur Ing Simon Clarke, TAE Deputy Chairman - Chantal-Aimée Doerries QC, Bar Council - Lord Saville, TAE President
Robert Burns, Law Society - Sue Bayram, TAE Chairman - Michael Goodridge MBE, Worshipful Company of Arbitrators
Paul England, TAE Secretary*

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 13th October 2016 at 12.30pm 3 Gray's Inn Square, Gray's Inn, London.

Agenda

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Apologies for absence 2 To approve the minutes of the AGM held on 28th October 2015 – published in 'update' Volume 23 Issue No 5 3 Matters arising 4 Chairman's Report 5 Treasurer's Report including adoption of accounts for the year ending February 2016 | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6 To appoint the Auditors for the year 2016-2017 7 Election of Officers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Chairman <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Chairman <input type="checkbox"/> Vice Chairmen <input type="checkbox"/> Secretary <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer 8 Election of Council Members 9 To approve 2017-2018 subscription levels 10 Any other business |
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EuroExpert Remuneration Study Published

EuroExpert, the organisation of European Expert Witness associations has just published its 2016 comparative study of remuneration of Expert Witnesses across Europe. Based on its 2012 study this update gives some interesting insights into the different challenges and opportunities facing expert witnesses. The full study is available for download from the EuroExpert website.

www.euroexpert.org

The following excerpt is taken from the study's introduction:

“The role of Experts is regularly changing which is reflected in the growing legal and economic cross-frontier relationships between the European States. The demand for well qualified and experienced Experts who are able to use their skills on an international level is also growing. It is therefore important that Experts are working to common standards irrespective of the arena of law in which they are operating. The adoption of the EuroExpert Code of Practice alongside with the core curriculum for training Experts and report standards make this possible.

There are many interesting questions relating to the practice and use of Experts as well as to the regulations for those practising. It is not surprising that there are many similarities across the systems but there are also a number of differences particularly in the way that Experts are appointed and instructed. It is for this reason that EuroExpert has since its inception undertaken a number of studies focusing on some of these areas. It is important for both Experts and those instructing and using them to understand these differences.

The image shows the cover of the study 'Remuneration of Experts in Europe'. It features a blue and red color scheme with the EuroExpert logo. The title is 'Remuneration of Experts in Europe' in red. Below the title, it says 'A Comparative Study of Remuneration Systems in Europe' and '2016 Update'. The EuroExpert logo is prominently displayed in the center. At the bottom, there is a photograph of flags and the text 'THE ORGANISATION FOR EUROPEAN EXPERT ASSOCIATIONS'. The website 'www.euroexpert.org' is also visible.

Not surprisingly some topics are of considerable importance to Experts as well as their users. Some of the most frequently asked questions are about the remuneration system for Experts, the level of fees and what can and cannot be charged. EuroExpert has, therefore, updated its previous study comparing the similarities and differences between the systems which highlights some interesting points.”

Online Resources

Evening Meeting Webcasts

There are already a number of Members' Evening Meetings online.



The next video to be published will be this week's meeting on Online Dispute Resolution which was given by Graham Ross.

Insightful and interesting on a subject that is often misunderstood his presentation will be of interest to all members.

Congratulations

We are extremely proud to announce that TAE Fellow **Trevor Gilbert FAE** was appointed OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours for services to the employment of people with disabilities.



When hearing of his appointment Trevor said, "I thought that receiving the accolade of the British Citizen Award in January and then Lawyer Monthly magazine's Employment Expert Witness of the Year award in May was marvellous and it couldn't get any better than that. I am dumbfounded, humbled, delighted and immensely grateful to have been recognised with this honour, especially in Her Majesty's 90th birthday year".

DIARY, NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Justice Secretary Appointed

As part of the recent Cabinet reshuffle Liz Truss has been appointed as the new Secretary of State for Justice and Lord Chancellor.

We wish the new Secretary of State well and look forward to working with her team at the Ministry of Justice.



Nominations for Council

Can you give TAE three days per year?

One of The Academy's strengths is that it is run 'by experts - for experts'. It's elected team of officers and council members form a strong foundation that has guided TAE throughout its 29 years.

Members of Council are elected at the Annual General Meeting in October and serve for three year terms. The minimum obligation is to attend two council meetings per year, in June and November, although there are always opportunities to become more involved.

Evening Meetings

London - 14th September

James Pickavance, Partner at Eversheds LLP

Full details available shortly

Leeds - 22nd September

The Judge's View - HH Judge Mark Raeside QC

HH Judge Mark Raeside QC will be speaking to members about the 'Judge's View'. He is currently the Judge in Charge of the Technology and Construction Court in the North East Region.

He specialised for nearly 25 years in domestic and international litigation and arbitration in the construction, civil engineering, energy, IT and telecommunications and professional negligence sectors. He was appointed as a Specialist Senior Circuit Judge in 2013.

London - 13th October

Joint Meeting with Worshipful Company of Arbitrators

Full details available shortly

London - 7th December

Stephen Walker

Marketing your Mediation Practice

Stephen Walker is the author of the well respected book 'Setting up in Business as a Mediator' published by Bloomsbury Press. As with the book he will be giving practical guidance based on actual experience to mediators at different stages of their career from those contemplating a training course to those who completed their training some years ago and feel they have plateaued.

Garden Party

Gray's Inn Treasurer's Reception - 22nd July

The TAE ticket allocation has nearly been exhausted for the Reception at the end of month.

If you would like to attend but have not yet booked please call David Wilton on 020 7430 0333.

CJC Consultation

Thank you to all those who participated in the Civil Justice Council survey on concurrent evidence.

Although the survey itself has now closed we would still be very pleased to hear from you if you have any experiences that you would like to share with us.



July

Tuesday - Wednesday	5-6	➤	Expert Determination
Wednesday	13	➤	Evening Meeting
Thursday - Friday	14-15	➤	Mediator Assessment
Friday	22	➤	Gray's Inn Treasurer's Reception
Friday	29	➤	Expert Determination Assessment Deadline

August

Monday	29		Bank Holiday
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September

Thursday - Friday	8-9	➤	Foundation Course
Tuesday	13	➤	Law & Procedure
Wednesday	14	➤	Evening Meeting
Tuesday	20	➤	Into Court
Thursday	22	➤	Report Writing Course
Thursday	22	➤	Evening Meeting - Leeds
Tuesday	27	➤	Expert Witness Refresher
Wednesday	28	➤	Report Writing Masterclass
Thursday - Friday	29-30	➤	ICAEW Foundation Course

October

Thursday - Friday	6-7	➤	Expert Determination Training
Thursday	13	➤	Annual General Meeting
Thursday	13	➤	Joint Evening Meeting

Unless otherwise shown all courses/meetings will be held in London
TAE dates are published in the **Events Calendar** - www.academyofexperts.org

Key to events:

- Academy Courses
- Academy Events & Meetings
- External/Joint/Supported Events