

**Innovation and the wealth of nations, Sir John Chisholm, Chairman of QinetiQ
Wednesday 2 April 2008, Royal College of Surgeons, London**

Innovation fuels economic growth in the global economy. It is estimated that innovation accounts for 80% of productivity growth and productivity accounts for 80% of GDP growth. How can nations and organisations more effectively innovate to gain the benefits and grow with innovation? Sir John will present his views on the importance of innovation in creating wealth. He will also give us an insight to the transformation of QinetiQ from a government owned defense research establishment to a more open innovation and stock-market listed company.

Agenda

17:30 – 18:30 Tour of Royal College of Surgeons

Join us for a tour of the Hunterian Museum at the Royal College of Surgeons. The museum is inspired by the life and works of the surgeon John Hunter (1728 – 1793). Features of the Museum include 3000 preparations of human animal anatomy and pathology from John Hunter’s collection, the Silver and Steel Story of Surgical Instruments which explores the history of the design, manufacture and use of surgical and dental instruments along with artefacts, such as the anatomical tables commissioned by John Evelyn in the 1640s.

18:30 – 19:30 Innovation and the Wealth of Nations – Sir John Chisholm

Sir John became the Chairman of QinetiQ in 2005, after transforming the company in his time as Chief Executive. He is widely credited with turning the organisation from a collection of research laboratories into a successful commercial business which floated on the London Stock Exchange in February 2006. A Cambridge graduate, Sir John’s career took flight when he formed CAP Scientific Ltd, which grew rapidly to become a core part of the CAP Group plc. He is the immediate past president of the IET and holds a number of Fellowships, including the Royal Academy of Engineering, and became Chairman of the Medical Research Council in October 2006. He was knighted in 1999.

19:30 – 20:00 Corporate Collaboration Speed Dating and Pre-Dinner Drinks

Over pre-dinner drinks, the objective is to facilitate introductions to explore opportunities for collaboration. Most H-I members expected to attend so you will have the opportunity to network with organisations including BAE Systems, BP, Carbon Trust, Cancer Research, Eon (Powergen), GlaxoSmithKline, Health Protection Agency, Kidde, McLaren, ITCM, Motorola, Ordnance Survey, Philips, Premier Foods, Procter & Gamble, SEEDA, Shell Technology Ventures, Sony, Unilever etc. If you want the opportunity to have a structured introduction and matching let us know in advance.

20:15 – 21:00 Networking Dinner

Attendees

This is an exclusive event for *‘Extrapreneurs’*® - the name we use for influencers of the new wave of innovative and significant change in leading organisations. Extrapreneurship combines the skills and aptitude of an entrepreneur; with the political skills of the corporate ‘Intrapreneur’. Attendees will include executives from a range of industry sectors including utilities, financial services, industrial, government and telecommunications.

Location and registration

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