The relevance of Keynes.
Centre for Banking, Finance and Sustainable Development

Evening Seminar

Thursday 18 March 2010 | 18:00 – 20:00
Centre for Banking, Finance and Sustainable Development Seminar

This seminar by the School of Management’s Centre for Banking, Finance and Sustainable Development will be opened by the Senior Deputy Vice Chancellor, Prof. Adam Wheeler. Then Lord Skidelsky, emeritus professor of political economy (Department of Economics) at Warwick University and member of the House of Lords, will talk about the Relevance of Keynes. The main theme of the evening will be why Keynes remains the guide of choice for understanding the recent world economic crisis, how to deal with it & how to prevent similar meltdowns from happening in the future.

Lord Skidelsky’s presentation will be followed by a talk by Professor Richard Werner, the Director of the Centre for Banking, Finance and Sustainable Development and a panel discussion.

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Timings: 18:00 – 20:00
Venue: Room 1015, Building 32 (EEE building), Highfield Campus, University of Southampton
Registration: Visit www.management.soton.ac.uk/events or contact Tarsha Jonas Tel: 023 8059 9340 Email: busdev@soton.ac.uk

Lord Skidelsky

Robert Skidelsky is emeritus professor of political economy (Department of Economics) at Warwick University. His three-volume biography of John Maynard Keynes was published by Macmillan (1983, 1992, 2000), and won five prizes. A single volume abridgment, also published by Macmillan, appeared in 2002. His book on the current crisis - Keynes: The Return of the Master -- was published in September 2009 by Allen Lane in Britain and Public Affairs in the United States, and has been, or is being, translated into 15 languages. He was made a life peer in 1991 (sits on the cross-benches) and was elected a fellow of the British Academy in 1994. He reviews regularly for the New York Review of Books, and writes a monthly column on current affairs for Project Syndicate.

In reviewing Keynes: The Return of the Master -- for the Observer newspaper, Nobel Laureate Paul Krugman wrote: ‘You don’t have to agree with everything Skidelsky says to find this a wonderfully stimulating book, one that reflects the author’s unparalleled erudition. We’re living in the second Age of Keynes – and Skidelsky is still the guide of choice’.

Robert Skidelsky is a non-executive director of Janus Capital Management, USA and Sistema JSC, Russian Federation.

Centre for Banking, Finance and Sustainable Development

The Centre focuses on the link between the financial sector, and here in particular the banking system, and economic growth and development. It collaborates with the School of Social Sciences, Division of Economics. It is the world’s first research centre to focus on the sustainability aspects of banking and development. The Centre was founded by Professor Richard Werner, D.Phil. (Oxon), Chair of International Banking at the School of Management. Richard has worked as researcher at the Bank of Japan, chief economist at an investment bank, senior consultant to the Asian Development Bank and as an international fund manager. He is known as central bank watcher and in his 2005 book warned about the coming banking crisis in the UK. In 2003 Richard was named ‘Global Leader for Tomorrow’ by the World Economic Forum in Davos.

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