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## **New European Company Law and Corporate Governance – The UK and the New Member States - 18 March 2005**

- 9.30 Coffee and Registration
- 10.00-13.15 **Chairman:** Prof Mads Andenas Director BIICL, Professor of Law, University of Leicester
- 10.00 **Key Note Speeches: Community or National Corporate Law for Europe from the Point of View of Efficiency, Feasibility and Subsidiarity**  
Stephen Spivey, Director of Company Law and Corporate Governance, DTI  
Dr Arkadiusz Radwan, Managing Director, European Center for Comparative Commercial and Company Law; Jagiellonian University Cracow, Poland
- 10.45 **Corporate Governance – The international corporate perspective**  
Dr Larry Stone, Group Corporate Secretary, BT plc\*
- 11.15 **The EU Agenda**  
Prof Jonathan Rickford, Director Company Law Centre, BIICL
- 11.45 **Companies' Capital and Creditor Protection**  
Dr Eilis Ferran, Reader in Corporate Law and Financial Regulation, University of Cambridge  
Dr Bohumil Havel, Assistant Professor, University of West Bohemia, Pilsen, Czech Republic  
*Discussant: Andres Vutt, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Tartu, Estonia*
- 12.45 Questions and Discussion
- 13.00 -14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-18.00 **Chairman:** Philip Bovey, Director, Company Law Reform, Department of Trade and Industry
- 14.00 **Cross-Border Restructuring and European Companies**  
James Palmer, Partner, Herbert Smith, London  
Dr Krzysztof Oplustil, Institute for Economic Policy, Jagiellonian University Cracow, Poland  
*Discussant: Dr Matthias Pannier, Research Fellow in European Law, BIICL*
- 15.00 Questions and Discussion
- 15.15 Tea and Coffee
- 15.30 **Shareholder Rights and Corporate Governance**  
Giles Peel, Director of Development, Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, London  
Professor Maria Patakyova, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia  
*Discussants: Professor András Kisfaludi, Head of the Civil Law Department, Eötvös Loránd University Budapest, Hungary*
- 16.30 Questions and Discussion
- 16.45 Tea and Coffee
- 17.00 **Takeovers**  
Julian Francis, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer  
Dr Rafał Stroiński, Associate Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland  
*Discussant: Theis Klauberg, Partner at BNT Legal and Tax Consultants (Riga and Vilnius)*
- 18.00 Questions and Discussion
- 18.15 **Panel of Speakers - Open Floor Discussion and Reception.**

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**Drinks reception following**

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The forthcoming UK presidency of the EU Council provides an occasion to reflect on the implications of the current EU legislative programme in a way which also takes account of the needs and desires of the newer Member States like the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia. The intention of the conference is to provide a forum for an exchange of views and perspectives between participants from the UK professional and academic communities and a similar group of participants from the newer EU Member States.

The topics will include: Companies' Capital and Creditor Protection, Cross-Border Restructuring and European Companies, Shareholder Rights and Corporate Governance and Takeovers.

Cost to attend: BIICL Members £80.00, Non-Members £120.00, Students £20.00; prices include VAT.

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