

**The intoxication of power:
*From neurosciences to hubris in
healthcare and public life***

Tuesday 9 October 2012

8.30 am – 4.45 pm

Guy-Whittle Auditorium, Royal Society of Medicine
1 Wimpole Street, London, W1G 0AE

- 8.30 am **Registration and coffee**
- Session 1: From power to hubris**
- Chair: Professor George Ikkos, President, RSM Psychiatry Section
- 9.00 am **Welcome**
 Sir Michael Rawlins, President, Royal Society of Medicine
- 9.05 am **Political power and psychopathology**
 Professor Nassir Ghaemi, Director Mood Disorders Programme and
 Professor of Psychiatry Tufts University USA
- 9.30 am **How power corrupts**
 Dr Ricardo Blaug, Director, Centre for the Study of Democracy and Reader
 in Democracy and Political Theory, University of Westminster
- 9.55 am **Puppet masters or umpires? The perils of modern bank regulation**
 Ms Gillian Tett, US Managing Editor and Assistant Editor, The Financial
 Times
- 10.20 am **Respondent**
 Lord Robert Skidelsky, Director, Centre for Global Studies
- 10.25 am **Brief questions and answers**
- 10.40 am **Coffee**
- Session 2: Hubris and neuroscience**
- Chair: Dr Peter Garrard, Reader in Neurology, St George's, University of London
- 11.00 am **From intoxication to addiction: Neurobiological substrates for hubris?**
 Professor Paul Fletcher, Bernard Wolfe Professor of Health Neuroscience,
 University of Cambridge
- 11.25 am **The biology of exuberance in the financial markets**
 Dr John Coates, Research Fellow in Cognitive and Behavioural
 Neuroscience, Judge School of Business, Cambridge University
- 11.50 am **The emotional brain and decision making**
 Professor Guy Claxton, Professor of Learning Sciences and Co-Director,
 Centre for Real World Learning, University of Winchester

- 12.15 pm **Respondent**
Lord John Alderdice, Psychoanalyst and Formerly Convenor Northern Ireland Assembly
- 12.20 pm **Discussion**
- 12.45 pm **Lunch**
- Chair:** **Session 3: Preventing and responding to hubris: individual approaches**
Dr Irene Cormac, President Elect, RSM Psychiatry Section and Honorary Consultant Forensic Psychiatrist, Rampton Hospital, Nottinghamshire
- 1.25 pm **Doctors, power and their performance**
Professor Alastair Scotland OBE, Founding Director (2001-2011) National Clinical Assessment Service (NCAS)
- 1.50 pm **Selection, coaching and mentoring**
Mr John Harris, Steering Committee Chair, Daedalus Trust
- 2.15 pm **Respondent**
Dr Jonathan Rowson, Director, Social Brain Project, Royal Society of Arts
- 2.20 pm **Brief questions and answers**
- 2.30 pm **Tea**
- Chair:** **Session 4: Preventing and responding to hubris: organisational approaches**
Professor Nick Bouras, Chair, Daedalus Trust Research Committee and Programme Director, Maudsley International
- 2.50 pm **The social brain: Neuroscience perspectives on empathy, trust and cooperation**
Dr Jamie Ward, Reader in Psychology, University of Sussex
- 3.15 pm **Using the social brain: Cooperation, democracy and shared values as responses to hubris**
Mr Warren East, Chief Executive Officer, ARM Holdings
- 3.45 pm **Directions for future research and practice**
Panel discussion and audience participation: All speakers and respondents
- 4.25 pm **Closing remarks**
The Rt Hon Lord Owen, Member of the House of Lords
- 4.45 pm **Close of meeting**

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