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Best Practice Awards - full coverage online!

We hope you didn't miss our <u>news release</u> announcing our Best Practice Awards winners yesterday! We had a fantastic turnout at our annual dinner on Tuesday night this week at the Tower of London. Almost 600 guests gathered to celebrate those leading the way in best practice IR, and the event was hosted by the very entertaining Gyles Brandreth. Congratulations to all our winners! If you missed it, there is a full list of winners, photos and summary feedback online <u>here</u>

IR Society Conference 2017 - advanced early bird rate ends in December!

We are delighted to announce that Evan Davis, the well-known broadcaster and journalist will be joining us once again for next year's IR Society conference on **20** June 2017. Don't forget to Save the Date and <u>book your conference ticket</u> before **31 December**, **2016** to take advantage of our advanced early bird rate.

Warm up with our IR Society winter courses

We have a few spaces remaining on our December courses, and why not get planning for next year - we are already taking bookings for 2017!

Introduction to IR and financial markets - Thursday 1st December

"Really useful training. Interesting topics and some clear explanations, delivered by an excellent and very engaging trainer! With little knowledge on the subject, the course certainly achieved its aim for me. I found it inspiring and felt it has given me a good understanding of the topic." <u>Book online</u>

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CIR revision course (29 Nov)

Introduction to IR and the financial markets (1 Dec)

IR regulation and compliance essentials - Module One: IR toolkit to comply with regulation (6 Dec)

CIR exam (7 Dec)

IR regulation and compliance essentials - Module Two: Transactions and Listing Obligations (8 Dec)

Should we be afraid or not? -Hedge funds and sovereign wealth funds (13 Dec)

NEWS

IR Society trumpets best practice at the Tower of London

Three practical tips for your investor presentations based on my favourite Shark Tank pitch

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IR regulation and compliance essentials: Modules 1 & 2 - Tuesday 6th & Thursday 8th December

"Very useful overview of the regulations, especially as a newcomer to the IR function, and bringing my knowledge up to date. I especially liked all the real life examples - companies, fines, outcomes of tougher regulation. Excellent course." **Book online**

Should we be afraid or not? - Hedge funds and sovereign wealth funds - Tuesday 13th December

"Very instructive and enjoyable. Interesting subject matter, great structure and great trainer." <u>Book online</u>

Look out for our 2017 Professional Development brochure which will be published very soon. Some of our Core IR courses running in January include: <u>Demystifying</u> <u>company accounts and valuations</u>; <u>IR regulation update</u>; and <u>Introduction to IR</u> <u>and the financial markets</u>. View all courses online <u>here</u>

FCA publishes interim findings of asset management market study

The FCA has published interim findings of its asset management market study. The detailed report found that there is weak price competition in a number of areas of the asset management industry and has subsequently proposed a package of remedies to make competition work better. Proposals include: a strengthened duty on asset managers to act in the best interests of investors, reforms to hold asset managers to greater account, introducing an all-in fee to make it easy for investors to see what is being taken from the fund, and measures to help retail investors identify the most appropriate fund. Read more <u>here</u>

Prime minister won't force companies to appoint workers to their boards

At the annual CBI conference this week, Theresa May appeared to backtrack on her proposal to include workers on company boards. During her speech May said that firms would not be forced to install worker representation on their boards, stating "While it is important that the voices of workers and consumers should be represented, I can categorically tell you that this is not about mandating works councils, or the direct appointment of workers or trade union representatives on boards." The Government will shortly publish their plans to reform corporate governance in a green paper. The full conference speech is published here

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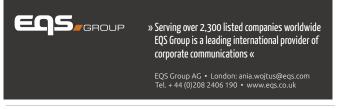
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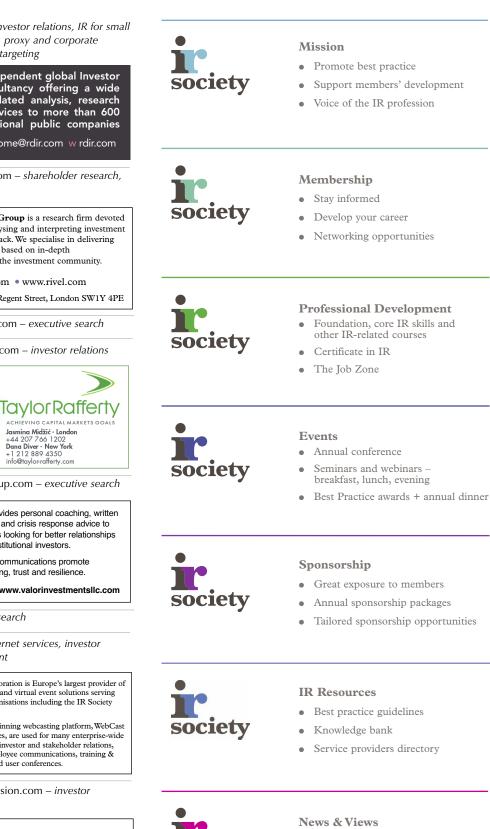
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