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#### ECSEE2015 Conference Chairs and Featured Speakers

Sir Kenneth Calman  
ECSEE2015 Keynote Speaker  
Chancellor of the University of Glasgow  
Chairman of the National Trust for Scotland  
Former UK Chief Medical Officer  
Former President of the British Medical Association  
Former Chairman of the World Health Organisation

Sir Kenneth Calman is Chancellor of the University of Glasgow. He graduated in medicine in Glasgow and became Professor of Oncology in 1974. He remained in that post for 10 years. In 1984 he became Dean of Postgraduate Medicine and Professor of Postgraduate Medical Education at the University of Glasgow and Consultant Physician with an interest in palliative care at Victoria Infirmary, Glasgow. In 1989 he was appointed Chief Medical Officer at the Scottish Home and Health Department and in September 1991 he became Chief Medical Officer in the Department of Health in London. He was a member of the Executive Board of the World Health Organisation, and its Chairman from 1998–9. He was Vice Chancellor and Warden of the University of Durham from 1998 until 2007. He was a Member of the Statistics Commission from 1999 until 2007. He is President of the Institute of medical Ethics and Deputy Chair of the Board of the British Library. He chaired the Commission on Scottish Devolution 2008–9, and was President of the British Medical Association 2008. He was awarded a KCB in 1996. He became Chairman of the National Trust for Scotland in September 2010. His most recent books are "A study of storytelling, humour and learning in medicine" and "Medical Education: Past present and future" He has recently completed research for an M.Litt on Scottish Literature and Medicine and will be publishing a book on this subject in July 2014 entitled "A Doctor's Line. Poems and Prescriptions in Health and Healing."

Professor Stuart D. B. Picken  
ECSEE2015 Conference Chair:  
Chair, Japan Society of Scotland  
Chair, IAFOR IAB

Professor Picken is the Chairman of the IAFOR International Advisory Board. The author of a dozen books and over 130 articles and papers, he is considered one of the foremost scholars on Japan, China, and Globalization in East Asia. As an academic, Professor Picken has devoted more than 30 years to scholarship in Japan, notably as a Professor of Philosophy at the International Christian University in Tokyo, where he specialized in ethics and Japanese thought, and as International Adviser to the High Priest of Tsubaki Grand Shrine (Mie prefecture). He has also served as a consultant to various businesses, including Jun Ashida Ltd., Mitsui Mining and Smelting Corp., Kobe Steel, and Japan Air Lines. In 2008, the Government of Japan awarded Professor Picken the Order of the Sacred Treasure for his pioneering research, and outstanding contribution to the promotion of friendship and mutual understanding between Japan and the UK. The honour is normally reserved for Japanese citizens and is a mark of the utmost respect in which Professor Picken is held by the Japanese Government. More recently, in 2012 he was invited to London to attend a reception at the Japanese Embassy, hosted by Emperor Akihito and Empress Michiko as an expression of their gratitude towards Britons who had helped support Japan after the 2011 Tohoku earthquake and tsunami. Professor Picken helped organize fundraising efforts through both the Japan Society of Scotland, of which he is the chair, in the UK, and IAFOR in Japan. Although now resident in Scotland, Professor Picken maintains his interests in Japan, as Chair of the Japan Society of Scotland, and through the IAFOR IAB. He is also the Chairman of the Academic Board of New College, Birmingham. He lives near Glasgow with his wife and two children.

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Conference Theme and Streams

Conference Theme: "Power and Sustainability"

Sustainability remains as a powerful ideal that acts as a driving force in relation to the pressing concerns of energy and the environment. Its proponents often protest their lack of power to effect change because of the control systems already in place in the form of tax-evading multinational corporations, banks that support them, and governments that turn a blind eye to malpractice. Is the claim to lack of power as serious as is alleged, or are there other approaches that have not been tried? Advocates of sustainable growth surely have the responsibility to search for alternative avenues and corridors of power? The abolition of slavery in the British Empire, for example, was the work of one man who resisted and confounded the argument that no economy could survive without it. This conference will take the concepts and lenses of power and sustainability as we seek multidisciplinary solutions and work together towards the creation of a sustainable world. We look forward to seeing you (again) in Brighton in 2015.

Streams:

Environmental Sustainability and Human Consumption; Food and Water, Hunger and Thirst  
Environmental Sustainability and Human Consumption; Waste  
Environmental Sustainability and Environmental Management; Freshwater, Oceans and Seas  
Environmental Sustainability and Environmental Management; Land Use and Misuse  
Environmental Sustainability and Environmental Management; Atmosphere and Air

Cultural Sustainability: Protecting, Preserving and Conserving  
Economic Sustainability: Environmental Challenges and Economic Growth  
Economic Sustainability: Sustainable Businesses and CSR  
Social Sustainability and Social Justice  
Social Sustainability, War and Peace  
Social Sustainability and Sustainable Living  
Energy: Environmental Degradation  
Energy: Renewable Energy and Environmental Solutions  
Energy: Energy Economics and Ecological Economics