COMPETITIVENESS IN EUROPE

The thirteenth Hitachi Lecture, *Competitiveness in Europe: Co-operation or Conflict?*, will be given at 6.15 pm on Thursday 24 November in the Terrace Room, Refectory, by Keith Richardson, Secretary General, European Round Table of Industrialists (ERT).

What kind of industrial relations system can best promote competitiveness in European industry? The links between industrial relations and the competitiveness of industry in Europe have become matters of great debate with Britain and between Britain and other member countries of the European Union. Are these debates likely to be resolved through models, co-operation or conflict?

As Secretary General of ERT, Keith Richardson has a clear vantage point to view the debates. He serves a grouping of some 40 chairmen of major European companies, representing a wide range of industry, from 17 European countries and employing more than three million people. The ERT was established in 1983 to improve the global competitiveness of the European economy and to create an environment for economic growth and prosperity.

THE NINTH YEAR OF THE MASTERCLASSES IN TECHNOLOGY BEGAN LAST SATURDAY, INVOLVING 64 13/14 YEAR OLD PUPILS FROM EAST AND WEST SUSSEX SCHOOLS. THE MASTERCLASSES EXPLORE A RANGE OF TOPICS, INCLUDING PARAGLIDING, TUNNEL TECHNOLOGY, CARDIOTECHNOLOGY (ARTIFICIAL HEARTS) AND SPACE TECHNOLOGY. PETER ADAMCZIK AND GEOFF HOCKNEY OF ICAP ARE AGAIN ORGANISING THE PRESENTATIONS AND PRACTICAL ACTIVITIES.

University Christmas Card

Falmer House, the award-winning Grade 1 Listed Building "of exceptional interest" is once again the subject of the University Christmas card which will be on sale shortly from the Bookshop and Students' Union Shop. Bulk orders may be made through the Information Office, Room 230, Sussex House, ext. 3766. Prices are: £3.50 for 10, £8.00 for 24, £18.50 for 60 and £30.00 for 100. The card is designed by Keith Allfrey of the Print Unit.
**In Brief**

**Mary (Ric) Winkler**
We are very sorry to report the death on Friday 4 November, of Ric Winkler, lecturer of English in the School of English and American Studies. Although she retired from Sussex in 1981, she will be warmly remembered by friends and colleagues throughout the University.

**Admissions Open Days for 1995**
- **Saturday 25 March**: Mature Student Open Day
- **Tuesday 23 May**: Sixth Form Open Day
- **Tuesday 27 June**: Sixth Form Open Day
- **Saturday 16 September**: Mature Student Open Day
Contact Kim Rogers 8417 for further details.

**CALLING ALL TRIVIA BUFFS**

Would you like to pit your wits against a team of former Sussex students? The Sussex Club, a group for Sussex alumni still living in the Brighton area, is hoping to organise a three-way competition between current students, faculty, and alumni. If you can assemble a team of four people or would like to put your name forward for the quiz, which will be held in the new year, please contact the Alumni Office, room 206, Sussex House, or ext. 8258. Faculty and staff are reminded that they are very welcome to come along for a drink and a chat at the Sussex Club’s monthly get-togethers in the bar at the Old Ship Hotel, Brighton. The group meets on the first Tuesday of every month (the next one being Tuesday 6 December), from 7.30 pm onwards.

**News**

**AROUND THE SCHOOLS**

**ICAPE**

**PAT OWEN** and **PETER SATCHWELL** visited Graz in Austria in the summer as a result of which Dr Schwartz, Deputy Director of the ERASMUS programme in Graz, made a visit to Sussex and met Primary and Secondary PGCE Course Director, Dr VIVIENNE GRIFFITHS and Ms PAT DRAKE; plans are now going forward to further the link between Sussex PGCE courses, and teacher training in Graz.

Last year **PETER ADAMczyk** and **MIKE WILSON** collaborated with David Malvern of Reading University in developing an electronic noise detection device for monitoring ‘pupil noise’ in the school classroom and laboratory. The device was tested and used successfully on teaching practice by **JONATHAN PARSONS**, a profoundly deaf Secondary Science PGCE trainee, at Lewes Priory and Tideway secondary schools. Jonathan has now gone on to take up a full-time science appointment in a secondary school in Surrey. Following this success, an application is being made for a Partnership Award for Innovation in Science Teaching.

Being Normal University formally conferred the title of Visiting Professor on **KEITH LEWIN** when he was in China recently. His book *Implementing Basic Education in China: Progress and Problems in Rich and Poor and National Minority Areas* has been published and is being distributed in China.

Last month **PETER ABBs** gave an open lecture on *The New Paradigm in Arts Education* at the Institute of Education in London. It was to mark the publication of his book *The Educational Imperative* (Falmer Press) and also to act as a final manifesto for the twelve volumes now available in *The Falmer Press Library on Aesthetic Education*.

**Letter to the Editor**

I think it might be useful if I add some facts to the recent correspondence on the heating of buildings and energy conservation.

Notwithstanding occasional problems with some buildings, the University actually has a good record in energy conservation having over the past 15 years achieved through a variety of means in excess of a 25% reduction in energy input per square metre of usable space, and a number of awards and grants for energy conservation. All recent new buildings have been designed to be highly energy efficient and poorly controlled heating systems are being progressively, and expensively replaced.

As to Arts B and C which are served by the same system, a failure of the most important part of the control system, and difficulties in obtaining and fitting a replacement necessitated the heating being switched over to 24 hour operations as the best compromise in the circumstances even though it led to loss of control during a period of widely fluctuating ambient temperatures — the alternative was no heating!

I hope, therefore, that readers will be reassured by both this and David Streeter's response to Julian Saurin's letter that energy conservation is taken seriously by the University.

R.E. Bailey
Estates Manager & Chief Engineer

**LIBRARY NEWS**

**Book Availability: A follow-up Survey**

Thanks to the co-operation of the many Library users who took part, the book availability survey carried out earlier this year was very successful. A great deal was learned from the survey and several significant changes to Library procedures have already been made in the light of its findings.

In order to measure the effect of these changes, particularly on the Library’s success at getting books into the hands of those who need them at the time when they need them, a follow-up survey will be taking place between Monday 21 November and the following Sunday. The Library therefore again appeals for your help: if, during the course of next week you are given a questionnaire sheet as you enter the Library, please spend a few minutes filling it in, and drop it into the box at the exit as you leave.
What the papers say...

"Superbly researched and fluently written," is how the Sunday Telegraph (6 November) describes Professor John Rohl's (EURO) book, The Kaiser and His Court: Wilhelm II and the Government of Germany (Cambridge £29.95). Professor Rohl uses direct quotations from the Kaiser who emerges as an "absurd, ignorant, vicious warmonger whose anti-semitism verged on the pathological." The book is said to leave one wishing that "those who died in the First World War, 'The Great Fight' as the Kaiser liked to call it, had been given a chance to know how history has justified their sacrifice."

The Independent (8 November) features Professor Keith Pavitt (SPRU) who last week told the Parliamentary University Group that the Government's science policy is misconceived and that it should be funding science for the sake of science, free from considerations of commercial application. The importance of such funding is recognised in Germany and Japan where, in contrast to Britain, Professor Pavitt has traced a marked improvement in the quality of public funded basic research during the eighties. Professor Pavitt argues that basic research is not just culturally worthwhile but vital to Britain's economic development - something which last year's White Paper on science engineering and technology failed to grasp. Industry, he claims, needs publicly funded basic research as it produces people who have been trained in research methods and who can enter industry carrying advanced knowledge and expertise.

A n article in the Evening Argus (3 November) argues that the University's influence on the local area "has been far greater than is apparent at first sight." The University, it points out, is not only one of the highest spenders and employers but it continues to galvanise the local economy by creating new and exciting jobs in science, technology and the arts. Just as important, it suggests, is the role the University has played in the emergence of Brighton as a lively, sophisticated and cosmopolitan town. "The students brought life into a town that was in danger of being strangled by senility. Without them, it might have declined into a Folkestone or a Margate."

MEETING HOUSE CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The Street Children of Maputo, Mozambique

The Street Children Rehabilitation Centre began in 1985 in Lubambou in the Province of Southern Africa, and now urgently needs additional dormitory, kitchen and classroom accommodation for 25 street children, aged 4-14 (mostly orphans). The Centre has four teachers, one part-time social worker, a secretary and volunteers and although this is organised by the Church in Mozambique, the only criteria for help and support is human need. The project has been recommended as an important and deserving cause for the Meeting House Christmas Appeal.

Contributions can be sent to: Barbara Barber, The Meeting House (please make cheques payable to Meeting House Appeal). In previous years some Schools, Units and individuals have kindly collected around campus; collecting tins are available from the Meeting House and if you have any queries or can help at all please phone 8217.
Monday 21 November – Sunday 27 November

Lectures, Seminars, Colloquia

Monday 21 November

12.30pm Sussex Continuing Education Research Forum: All Work and No Play Makes Jill a Bright Girl: Adult Education for Women in Rural Communities. S. McGrath, Rectory Level One, Room A.

1pm Experimental Psychology Seminar: Higher Level Prosocial Units in Sentence Processing. K. van Nesse, EP 3.9, BIOLS.

1pm IDS Work-in-Progress Seminar: Rates of Return Analysis for Education and Training: Lessons for the Health Sector. P. Bennell, Rm 127, IDS.

2pm Falmer Language Group: North and South: The Development of an Interalidetac in the East Anglian Fens. D. Britain (Essex), Arts D410.

4pm Women’s Studies Research-in-Progress Seminar: Simone de Beauvoir and Michele le Doeuff: On Philosophy and Oppression. A. Stone, Arts A183.

4.15pm MOLS Colloquium Programme: Molecules in Space: The Chemical Laboratory at the End of the Universe. Prof. I. Smith, MSLT, MOLS.

4.30pm Neuroscience Seminar: Social Cognition in Primates. C. Hayes (UCL), EP 3.9, BIOLS.

4.50pm Economics Graduate Seminar: Commodity Agreements. C. Gilbert (QM, London), Arts D722.

Tuesday 22 November


4pm COGIS Seminar: Title to be announced. H. Buxton, PBSCL, MAPS III.

4pm Algebra Seminar: Finitary Categories. G. Wraith, PB2A2, MAPS I.

4.15pm Biochemistry and Genetics & Development Seminar: The Evolution of Genetic Redundancy and its Developmental Consequences. Prof. G. Dover (Leics), Biology Lecture Theatre.

5pm German Research Colloquium: Researching the German Occupation of Greece. M. Mazower, Arts A71.

5pm American Studies Graduate Seminar: Masculinity and American War Films. J. Walsh (Manchester Metropolitan), Arts A106.

Wednesday 23 November

2pm Mathematics Across the University: Facing the Problem. J. Muffin and A. Simpson discuss teaching and learning maths outside undergraduate maths courses. Rectory Level 1, Room A.

4pm IDS Seminar: Post-Communist States, Women’s Rights and the International Context. M. Molyneux (Institute of Latin American Studies, London), Room 221, IDS.


5pm English Graduate Colloquium: Stevenson, Nabokov, and Little Girls Left Screaming. C. Blake, Arts D630.

5.15pm Media Voices Lecture: Talk by Mandy Pooler, Managing Director, Media at Ogilvy and Mather, Arts C133.

Thursday 24 November


12.30pm History and Gender Seminar Group: Title to be announced. S. Oldfield, Arts D622.

12.30pm Inorganic Discussion Group Meeting: Aspects of Multinuclear NMR Spectroscopy in Unusual Media. M. Waugh, and Group 9 Complexes for Imine Hydrogenation. R. Bedford (Imperial College), MS1, MOLS.

1pm IDS RUPAG Seminar: Cultural Creolisation: War-Peace Transitions in Liberia and Sierra Leone. P. Richards (UCL), Room 221, IDS.

2pm Theoretical Physics Seminar: Electrons with Bond Charge Interaction in One Dimensional Systems. G. Japaridze (Tbilisi), MAPS I, PB1A6.

4.30pm Experimental Psychology Colloquium: Seeing Blur and Motion: Vision vs. Calculus. M. Georgeson (Aston), EP 3.9, BIOLS.


5.15pm Social and Political Thought Lecture: Marxism and Feminism. A. Stone, Arts D630.

5pm Geography Research Seminar: Putting Women On and Off the Pill: Birth Control in the 1950s. J. Cream (UCL), EDB 302.

5.15pm Media Voices: Talk by Brian Hanrahan, BBC Foreign Affairs Correspondent, Arts C133.

6.15pm Thirteenth Hitachi Lecture: Competitiveness in Europe: Co-operation or Conflict? Keith Richardson, Secretary General European Round Table of Industrialists, Terrace Room, Rectory.

Friday 25 November

2.15pm SPRU Seminar: The Future of Nuclear Strategy. Prof. I. Friedman (KCL), Arts A5.

4pm Chemical Physics Research Seminar: Melting of Clusters and Breaking of Stretched Crystals. Dr. R. Lynden-Bell (Cambridge), MS3, MOLS.


CCE Saturday Schools - 3 Dec

English and Sussex Stained Glass - a look at stained glass from the 12th Century to the present day.

Introduction to Tribal Beadwork - explore the development of beads through history.

The Temper - divergent interpretations of Shakespeare’s play.

Venue: all at University. For the above all reduced prices for students, half price for staff. Enrol with CCE on 678527.

Miscellaneous

Safety Conference

The Institute of Science Technology, Sussex Downland Branch, are organising a seminar on university research to assess assessment in Science and Technology at the University Conference Centre, Isle of Thorns, on 25 March 1995. All welcome, details from University Safety Office, Estates Building, ext. 3296.

AUT General Meeting - 22 Nov

Towards a University Research Policy - AUT General Meeting to be held on Tues 22 November at 1pm in Arts A103.

Film Society

Mon 21 Nov: Kiss Me Deadly (Aldrich, 1955, USA)

Thur 24 Nov: Bonny & Clyde (Penn, 1967, USA)

All films shown at 6.30pm. Arts A2, £2 non-members, 50p members.

Lunchtime Recitals

Roy Perrett - Baritone, Ben Costello - Piano. Tues 22 Nov. 1.15pm in the Chapel.

Vivien Schweitzer - Piano. Sussex University Music Faculty, Thur 24 Nov, 1.15pm. Palmer House Recital Room, 120.

Small Ads

ROOM TO LET: 1 bed house in B ton’s N Laine area. 1 April to 30 June 1995. Perfect for visiting academic - suit 1 or a couple. Contact Marie Dember on 692859.

HOLIDAY LET: 300 year-old thatched cottage in S Devon. Prices inc. heating, lighting & bed linen. W/E and week lets available. Contact D. Buckland on ext. 8300.

HOUSE TO LET: Shoreham. 3 beds, night storage heating, gas fire. Available. Contact D. Buckland on ext. 8300.

FOR SALE: One bed, ground floor flat. Lovely lounge. Exterior newly decorated. Very close to London Road BR. Immediate vacant possession. £32,000 ono. Contact 0273 690250.

FOR SALE: Holiday cottage near Newns, France. All facilities, orig. features, attractive view. £20,500. Contact ext. 2065.

ACADEMIC driving to Oxford regularly at weekends (Fri night, return Sun night) seeks someone to share driving/cars. Contact Gordon White, ext. 8736 or 697225.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED for a simple reading experiment. Read sentences (silently) and answer questions about them. 30 mins max. Payment £1.50. 18-35 yrs old, native English speakers only. Contact Judith on ext 2783.

DO YOU SMOKE? WOULD YOU LIKE TO STOP? Remember, 20 cigarettes per day costs over £2,500 p.a. You are invited to a meeting on Thurs 1 Dec at 3.30pm in the Health Centre to discuss how to stop with a view to stopping for New Year. If you can’t make this date, ring 678192 and ask for an appointment with Val.

Bulletin

The Bulletin appears every Friday of the Term. Copy deadline is 1pm on the Friday preceding publication. Suggestions for news, details of events, letters and small ads, etc are welcome. Please contact the Information Office, Sussex House, ext. 8209 or email: Bulletin@sussex.ac.uk.