Lord ADAIR TURNER



Chairman of the Energy Transition Commission
Chairman of the Financial Services Authority (2008 - 2013)

Adair Lord Turner has combined careers in business, public policy and academia. He chairs the Energy Transitions Commission, a global coalition of major power and industrial companies, investors, environmental NGOs and experts working out achievable pathways to limit global warming to well below 2°C by 2040 while stimulating economic development and social progress.

He was chairman of the Institute for New Economic Thinking until January 2019, where he remains a Senior Fellow. He is Chairman of Chubb Europe and on the Advisory Board of Envision Energy, a Shanghai-based group focused on renewable energy, batteries and digital systems.

Lord Turner studied History and Economics at Caius College, Cambridge. Prior to 2008 Lord Turner was a non-executive Director at Standard Chartered Bank (2006-2008); Vice-Chairman of Merrill Lynch Europe (2000-2006); and from 1995-1999, Director General of the Confederation of British Industry. He was with McKinsey & Co. from 1982 to 1995.

Adair became a cross-bench member of the House of Lords in 2005 and was the Chairman of the Climate Change Committee from 2008 to 2012; he also chaired the Pensions Commission from 2003 to 2006, and the Low Pay Commission from 2002 to 2006. He became a Senior Fellow of the Institute for New Economic Thinking in 2013, and was Chairman of their Governing Body from 2015 to 2019. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Centre for Financial Studies in Frankfurt.

He is the author of 'Just Capital – The Liberal Economy' (2001), and 'Economics after the Crisis, (2012). His new book, Between Debt and the Devil: Money, Credit and Fixing Global Finance, will be published by MIT Press in the autumn 2015. He writes a monthly column for Project Syndicate, which appears in multiple newspapers across the world.

Adair holds Visiting Professorships at the London School of Economics and at Cass Business School, and City University. He is a Trustee and Chair of the Audit Committee at the British Museum.

As a frequent lecturer on global macro-economic, social and environmental developments he is a sought-after guest on international events and conferences.

Topics (Selection):

- Global Financial Regulation
- · Climate Change
- · Financial Services Industry
- Corporate Governance
- Brexit
- · Lessons from the Global Financial Crash

Publications (Selection):

- · Between Debt and the Devil: Money, Credit, and Fixing Global Finance, 2017
- Economics After the Crisis: Objectives and Means (The Lionel Robbins Lectures), 2012
- The Future of Finance: The LSE Report, 2010

