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New European Company Law and Corporate Governance – The UK and the New Member States - 18 March 2005

- 9.30 Coffee and Registration
- 10.00-13.15 **Chairman:** Prof Mads Andenas Director BIICL, Professor of Law, University of Leicester
- 10.00 **Key Note Speeches: Community or National Corporate Law for Europe from the Point of View of Efficiency, Feasibility and Subsidiarity**
Stephen Spivey, Director of Company Law and Corporate Governance, DTI
Dr Arkadiusz Radwan, Managing Director, European Center for Comparative Commercial and Company Law; Jagiellonian University Cracow, Poland
- 10.45 **Corporate Governance – The international corporate perspective**
Dr Larry Stone, Group Corporate Secretary, BT plc*
- 11.15 **The EU Agenda**
Prof Jonathan Rickford, Director Company Law Centre, BIICL
- 11.45 **Companies' Capital and Creditor Protection**
Dr Eilis Ferran, Reader in Corporate Law and Financial Regulation, University of Cambridge
Dr Bohumil Havel, Assistant Professor, University of West Bohemia, Pilsen, Czech Republic
Discussant: Andres Vutt, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Tartu, Estonia
- 12.45 Questions and Discussion
- 13.00 -14.00 Lunch
- 14.00-18.00 **Chairman:** Philip Bovey, Director, Company Law Reform, Department of Trade and Industry
- 14.00 **Cross-Border Restructuring and European Companies**
James Palmer, Partner, Herbert Smith, London
Dr Krzysztof Oplustil, Institute for Economic Policy, Jagiellonian University Cracow, Poland
Discussant: Dr Matthias Pannier, Research Fellow in European Law, BIICL
- 15.00 Questions and Discussion
- 15.15 Tea and Coffee
- 15.30 **Shareholder Rights and Corporate Governance**
Giles Peel, Director of Development, Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators, London
Professor Maria Patakyova, Comenius University, Bratislava, Slovakia
Discussants: Professor András Kisfaludi, Head of the Civil Law Department, Eötvös Loránd University Budapest, Hungary
- 16.30 Questions and Discussion
- 16.45 Tea and Coffee
- 17.00 **Takeovers**
Julian Francis, Partner, Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
Dr Rafał Stroiński, Associate Professor, University of Warsaw, Poland
Discussant: Theis Klauberg, Partner at BNT Legal and Tax Consultants (Riga and Vilnius)
- 18.00 Questions and Discussion
- 18.15 **Panel of Speakers - Open Floor Discussion and Reception.**

* To be confirmed