

Speaker & topic list

Below is a list of the inspiring business women
who have spoken at our events.



- Cherie Blair - the glass ceiling
- HRH The Princess Royal - Opportunity International and microfinancing
- Gillian Shepherd, former MP - women in politics
- Kate Adie, OBE - women in broadcasting
- Dame Stella Rimington, DCB - MI5 and commitment to your country
- Dame Sheila McKechnie - the work of the Consumers' Association
- Mo Mowlam, former MP - Northern Ireland and after
- Gwyneth Dunwoody MP - transport, and the wider implications of change
- Heather Rabbatts, CBE - the government electronic initiative
- Baroness Peta Buscombe - a career in public service
- Cheryl Carolus - South Africa and what the political changes have meant
- Dame Anita Roddick, DBE - The Body Shop and entrepreneurship
- Baroness Margaret Jay - women, government and politics
- Nicola Horlick - a career in the spotlight
- Dr DeAnne Julius, CBE - the work of the Monetary Policy Committee
- Mary Spillane - projecting power and influence
- Sue Stapely - the dynamics of managing meetings
- Fiona Reynolds, CBE - the National Trust and its role in the community
- Dame Steve Shirley, DBE - establishing a business against the odds
- Dr Vanessa Lawrence - revolutionising the Ordnance Survey
- Dame Veronica Sutherland, DBE CMG - Northern Ireland and the peace talks
- Sue McGregor, OBE - a lifetime in broadcasting
- Ann Widdecombe, MP - why are there not more women in politics
- Baroness Delta O'Cathain and Yve Newbold - the role of the non executive director
- Rosie Boycott - the role of women in the media
- Jan Murray - the role of the World Energy Council
- Caroline Slocock - Equal Opportunities in action
- Dianne Thompson, CBE, Camelot - winning against the odds
- Rose Marie Bravo, Burberrys - reinventing the Burberry brand
- Dame Eliza Manningham Buller, DCB - security in troubled times
- Dawn Gibbins, MBE - Veuve Cliquot Business Woman of the Year 2003
- Baroness Shirley Williams - the special relationship
- Jana Bennett, OBE - the future of the BBC
- Dame Pauline Neville Jones, DCB - how are we women doing?
- Baroness Susan Greenfield - tomorrow's people
- Commander Janet Williams - extremism and terrorism
- Theresa May, MP - the future of the Conservative Party
- Baroness Young of Old Scone - the environment and our commitment
- Baroness Morris of Yardley - reflections on politics
- Sally Greene, Chief Executive of the Old Vic - a theatrical entrepreneur
- Alexandra Shulman, OBE, Editor in Chief Vogue - all about a fashion icon
- Baroness Hogg of Kettlethorpe - women in executive roles
- Baroness Valerie Amos - on being the Leader of the House of Lords
- Jenny Watson, EOC - the gender agenda
- Val Gooding, CBE, BUPA - health services in the UK
- Heather Rabbatts, CBE, Millwall Football club - a new career
- Baroness Hale of Richmond
- Panel review - Shirley Williams, Janet Williams, Fran Unsworth, Vicky Pryce and
- Dr Nicola Brewer
- Camila Batmanghelidjh, Kids Company
- Baroness Corston of St George, Fawcett Commission
- Bridget Kendall, BBC Diplomatic correspondent
- Baroness Neuberger
- Marie O'Riordan, Editor in Marie Claire
- Vicky Pryce, Chief Economist BERR
- Shami Chakrabarti, Director of Liberty, Human Rights
- Rachel Lomax, Economist and government official
- Professor The Baroness Finlay of Llandaff
- Dr Jane Collins, CEO Great Ormond Street Hospital
- Harriet Lamb, Executive Director of Fair Trade Foundation

- Jenny Abramsky, Chair of National Heritage Lottery Fund
- Patience Wheatcroft, Editor in Chief of Wall Street Journal Europe
- Rosalind Wright CB QC, Chairman of Fraud Advisory Panel
- Helen Alexander, President of CBI
- Sarah Outen, First woman and youngest person to row solo across the Indian Ocean
- Jenny Watson, Chair UK Electoral Commission
- Baroness Anne Owers DBE, former HM Chief Inspector of Prisons
- Laura Tenison, Founder and MD of Jo Jo Maman Bébé
- Deputy Assistant Commissioner Janet Williams
- Sarah Brown
- Carolyn McCall
- Baroness Warsi
- Dr Wendy Piatt, Russell Group
- Professor Dame Sally Davies, Department of Health
- Baroness Claire Tyler
- Jenny Waldman – 10 July 2013
- Anne Marie Carrie – 11 September 2013
- Vanessa Lawrence CB
- Amanda Berry OBE
- Helen Browning
- Dr Jane Flint & Rachel Boothroyd, British Heart Foundation
- Vicky Featherstone, Royal Court Theatre
- Angela Knight, Energy UK
- Baroness Helena Kennedy, Principal Mansfield College
- Sue Biggs, Director General, RHS
- Cally Palmer, Chief Executive, Royal Marsden NHS Foundation Trust
- Jude Kelly, Artistic Director, South Bank Centre
- Jane Marriott OBE, Foreign & Commonwealth Office
- Jane Ashcroft CBE, Chief Executive, Anchor
- Jasmine Whitbread, Chief Executive, Save the Children Fund



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