

Curriculum Vitae: Martin Taylor

Education and Professional Qualifications

1970 - 1974 BALLIOL COLLEGE, OXFORD

Oriental Studies (Chinese and Japanese)

Other

2010 - 2011 ■ Member of the Independent Commission on Banking under Sir John Vickers

2003 - 2004 ■ Helped the DWP and Cabinet Office look at incapacity benefit

1999 ■ Reported to the Chancellor on tobacco smuggling

1997 - 1998 ■ Chaired a civil service group reporting to Gordon Brown, then Chancellor, on work incentives (Tax credits, National Insurance reform etc)

Career Summary

2013 – date FINANCIAL POLICY COMMITTEE, BANK OF ENGLAND
EXTERNAL MEMBER

2000 – date RTL GROUP SA, LUXEMBOURG
VICE-CHAIRMAN

The company is Europe's largest broadcaster. Due to step down from the board in 2015. Member of the Audit Committee and Chair the Compensation Committee.

2005 –2013 SYNGENTA AG, BASEL, SWITZERLAND
CHAIRMAN

A director since the company was founded (through a merger of the agrochemical divisions of Astrazeneca and Novartis) in 2000. The company is market leader in its segment and operates worldwide; it is capitalized at roughly £20 billion.

2008 – 2013 OXFORD INVESTMENT PARTNERS (OXIP)
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

The firm manages money for a number of Oxford colleges and pension fund clients. The assignment came to an end after the business was acquired by Towers Watson.

1999 - 2005 GOLDMAN SACHS INTERNATIONAL, LONDON

INTERNATIONAL ADVISER

Was chair of the non-US asset management business, and of the audit committee.

1999 - 2003 WHSMITH GROUP PLC

CHAIRMAN

Previously a non-executive director (1993-97). Also chaired the pension fund (until 2005), which was a non-trivial position.

1994 - 1998 BARCLAYS PLC

CHIEF EXECUTIVE

1982 - 1993 COURTAULDS PLC

1990 - 1993 COURTAULDS TEXTILES PLC

CHIEF EXECUTIVE (AND BRIEFLY CHAIRMAN)

1982 - 1990 VARIOUS ROLES, UP TO AND INCLUDING CEO OF THE TEXTILE BUSINESS, SPUN OFF (AS COURTAULDS TEXTILES) IN MARCH 1990

1978 - 1982 FINANCIAL TIMES

JOURNALIST (LEX COLUMN)

1974 - 1978 REUTERS

Worked in Paris, Frankfurt and London

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