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A

Carlos Acosta	DUniv	2025
Michael Acton Smith	DUniv	2013
Lord Victor Adebowale	DUniv	2015
Chris Addison	DUniv	2013
Nazir Afzal	LLD	2014
Kay Alexander	DUniv	2013
Professor Jim Al-Khalili	DSc	2022
Brian Allen	DLitt	2006
Gary Allen	DSc	2003
Sir Thomas Allen	DMus	2004
Dennis Amiss	DUniv	2007
Baroness Valerie Amos	LLD	2008
Derrick Anderson	DUniv	2007
Sir Eric Anderson	DLitt	2010
Sir Euan Hamilton Anstruther-Gough-Calthorpe	DUni	2008
Ms Joan Armatrading	DMus	2002
John Armitt	DEng	2008

B

Chris Banks	DUniv	2012
Robin Barnett	DUniv	2019
Professor Sir David Baulcombe	DSc	2011
Dr The Hon Ahmed Rashid Beebeejaun	DUniv	2011
Professor Marek Belka	DSc	2006
Professor Sir Kumar Bhattacharyya	DEng	2004
Lord Karan Bilimoria of Chelsea	DUniv	2014
David Julian Bintley	DLitt	2001
Professor Richard Ewen Borcherds	DSc	2000
Professor Geoffrey Boulton	DSc	2007
Cynthia Bower	DUniv	2009
Dame Christine Braddock	DUniv	2013
Keith Bradshaw	DUniv	2014
Professor Jo Bradwell	DSc	2011
Karren Brady	DUniv	2010
Terence Bramall	DUniv	2011
Kenneth Branagh	DLitt	2001
Hamish Brewer	DSc	2007
Mr Steven Bridges	DUniv	2016
Penny Briscoe	DUniv	2022
Professor Michel Broué	DSc	2005
Dr Christopher Brown	DLitt	2012

The Reverend Stuart John Burgess	DUniv	2006
Dr Aggrey Burke	MD	2024
Marcus Burton	DEng	2023
Sir Ian Byatt	DSc	2007

C

Professor John Cacioppo	DSc	2012
Deborah Cadbury	DLitt	2013
Jayne Cadbury	DUniv	2005
Sir (Nicholas) Dominic Cadbury	LLD	2002
Ms Frances Cairncross	DSc	2002
Simon Callow	DLitt	2000
Baroness Jane Campbell of Surbiton	DLitt	2009
Dr Simon Campbell	DSc	2004
Professor David Nicholas Cannadine	DLitt	2002
Professor Colin Carlile	DSc	2007
Mr Jasper Carrott	DUniv	2004
Professor John Casken	DMus	2011
Professor Andrew Chesher	DSc	2017
Datin Kathleen Chew	DUniv	2019
Professor Chris Clark	DLitt	2014
Professor Michael Clarke	DUniv	2014
Barrie Cleverdon	DUniv	2004
Dr Clifford Cocks	DSc	2015
Dr Jonathan Coe	DLitt	2006
Dr Jane Collins	DUniv	2019
Marilyn Comrie OBE	DUniv	2017
Lord (Robin) Corbett of Castle Vale	LLD	2004
Professor Pascale Cossart	DSc	2015
Sarah Cox	DUniv	2012
Mr John Crabtree	DUniv	2015
Mr Jim Crace	DLitt	2002
Professor Nicholas Craddock	MD	2014
Mr John Craggs	DUniv	2015
Sir Edward Michael Crew	LLD	2001
Lord (David Anthony) Currie of Marylebone	DSc	2003

D

Roger Dancey	DUniv	2008
Alan Davey	DLitt	2011
George Davies	DUniv	2009
Professor Sally Davies	MD	2008
Professor Glyn Davis	DLitt	2023
Mr Fred Dibnah	DUniv	2004
Professor Sir Liam Donaldson	DSc	2005
Mr Gregory Doran	DLitt	2015
The Rt Hon Stephen Dorrell	DUniv	2016

Professor Sir Pete Downes	DSc	2019

E

Professor Sir David Eastwood	DLitt	2022
Professor David (Burman) Edgar	DLitt	2002
John Edwards	DUniv	2008
Dr Hany El-Banna	DUniv	2007
Michelle Elliott	DSc	2003
Doug Ellis	DUniv	2008
Hannah England	DUniv	2022
Professor Barry Everitt, FRS	DSc	2010

F

Professor Sadaf Farooqi	MD	2023
Clenton Farquharson CBE	DUniv	2023
Professor Sir Richard Feachem	DEng	2007
Elnora Ferguson	DUniv	2003
Clive Field	DLitt	2006
Professor Dame Amanda Fisher	DSc	2019
John Fisher	DEng	2013
Dr Alan Folwell	DSc	2007
Professor David Frank Ford	DD	2000
Professor Richard Fortey	DSc	2010
Michael Frayn	DLitt	2005
Shirley Frost	DSc	2005
Hiroaki Fujii	LLD	2001

G

Barbara Gaines	DLitt	2013
Professor Michael Gale	DSc	2005
Tony Garnett	DLitt	2017
Jane Garvey	DUniv	2019
Haile Gebrselassie	DUniv	2010
Kevin Gell	DSc	2014
Michael Gilbert	DUniv	2011
David Gill	DUniv	2011
Charles Edward Gillett	DUniv	2001
Jim Glover	DUniv	2008
Mirga Grazintye-Tyla	DMus	2017
Richard Green	DUniv	2006
Professor Susan Adele Greenfield	DSc	2001
Professor Jeremy Greenwood	DSc	2007
Mrs Tamsin Greig	DUniv	2016
Professor Jane Guyer	LLD	2016

H

Professor Catherine Hall	Dlitt	2016
Stuart McPhail Hall	DLitt	2000
Lord Hall of Birkenhead (Tony Hall)	DLitt	2013
Dame Wendy Hall	DSc	2012
Simon Halsey	DMus	2008
Lord Hannay of Chiswick	DLitt	2003
Dr Tim Harris	DSc	2010
Dr Adam John Hart-Davis	DSc	2002
Richard Haywood	LLD	2022
Kitty Hart-Moxon	DUniv	2013
Datuk Abdul Rahim Hj Hashim	DEng	2006
Professor David Haslam	DUniv	2014
The Rt Hon The Baroness (Valerie) Haymann	DUniv	2014
Dr Anthony (“Tony”) Hayward	DSc	2009
Seamus (Justin) Heaney	DLitt	2000
Dr Ian Heggie	DEng	2006
Dr Chris Henney	DUniv	2011
Professor Rolf-Dieter Heuer	DSc	2011
Vikki Heywood	DLitt	2009
Professor John Hick	DD	2011
Dr Clive Hickman	DEng	2015
Professor Dame Julia Higgins	DSc	2007
Charlotte Hill	DUniv	2024
Professor Sue Hill	DSc	2011
Professor Sir John Hills	DLitt	2016
Penelope Hobhouse	DLitt	2003
Steve Hollis	DUniv	2024
Bob Holman	DLitt	2008
Linda Margaret (“Lin”) Homer	DUniv	2010
Professor Roger Hood	LLD	2008
Professor Anthony G Hopkins	DLitt	2013
Sonia, Lady Hornby	DSc	2002
John Horseman	DUniv	2014
António Horta-Osório	DUniv	2019
Dr Richard Horton	MD	2008
Sir John Theodore Houghton	DSc	2000
Sir Anthony Hughes	LLD	2008
Lord (Philip) Hunt of Kings Heath	DUniv	2005
Anji Hunter	DUniv	2013
Kelly Hunter MBE	DLitt	2024
Matthew Hurn OBE	DUniv	2022
Mr Tozammel Huq	DUniv	2002
Dr Huqu Zhai	DSc	2011

I

Mohamed Ibrahim	DEng	2009
William Robert Kennedy Innes	DEng	2001
Dame Sue Ion	DSc	2012
Professor John Maxwell Irvine	DUniv	2001

Professor Ernest Irwin	DEng	2005
Kevin Isaac	DUniv	2012

J

General Sir Mike Jackson	LLD	2000
Martin Jelley	DUniv	2019
Nick Jenkins	DUniv	2018
Digby Marritt Jones	DUniv	2002
Professor Eldred Jones	DLitt	2005
Dr Monty Jones	DSc	2005
Dr Robert J Jones	DUniv	2024
Alexander (“Sandy”) Jones	DUniv	2009
Dr John Joubert	DMus	2007
Dr De Anne Julius	DSc	2001

K

Lady Wangu Kanja OSI	LLD	2024
Desmond Kelly	DLitt	2007
Dr John Kelly	MD	2007
Jude Kelly	DLitt	2012
Angus Kennedy	DUniv	2005
Professor Sir Ian McColl Kennedy	MD	2006
Professor Sir Bruce Keogh	MD	2009
Matthew Key	DUniv	2012
Randal Keynes	DUniv	2012
Professor Shahbaz Khan	DSc	2018
Professor Mervyn King	DSc	2002
Tessa King-Farlow	DMus	2009
Dr Nicholas Kingsley	DLitt	2006
Professor George Barnabas Kirya	LLD	2001
Hon Justice Robert Kisanga	LLD	2010
Professor Sir Peter Knight	DSc	2017
Professor Tsun Ko	DEng	2001
Professor Michael Kosterlitz	DSc	2017
Felix Kottmann	DUniv	2009
Pastor Werner Krätschell	DD	2000

L

Professor Celso Lafer	DUniv	2014
Sir John Martin Laing	DSc	2003
Professor Robert A Lamb	DSc	2010
Peter Lampl	DUniv	2003
Jeremy Lancaster	DUniv	2003
Professor Sir David Lane	DSc	2002
Rt Rev Dr Michael Langrish	DD	2006
Professor Sir John Lawton	DSc	2005
Professor Peter Chung Yin Lee	LLD	2001

Professor Sir Julian Le Grand	DUniv	2018
Professor Christina Le Moignan	DD	2002
Adrian Lester	DLitt	2013
Sir Paul Lever	LLD	2001
Professor Jinghai Li	DEng	2013
Professor Eliot Lieb	DSc	2007
Mr Ming Yan Lim	DUniv	2015
Professor Ray Linforth	DUniv	2019
Professor Stephen Charles Littlechild	DSc	2001
Phyllida Lloyd	DLitt	2009
Kenneth (“Ken”) Loach	DLitt	2003
Professor David John Lodge	DLitt	2001
Sir David Logan	DUniv	2014
Guy Look	DUniv	2013
Jock Lowe	DUniv	2003
Professor John Ludden	DSc	2011
Sir Roderic Lyne	DUniv	2012
Sir Michael Lyons	LLD	2009

M

Hon Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma	LLD	2011
Sarah-Jane Marsh	DUniv	2017
Councillor Ian McArdle	LLD	2000
Dr Frank McCormick	DSc	2008
Edward McIntyre	DUniv	2006
Professor Sir Alex Markham	DUniv	2012
Raymond Mason	DLitt	2003
Dr John Makumbe	LLD	2004
Sir Christopher Mallaby	LLD	2004
Doreen Massey, Baroness Massey of Darwen	DUniv	2014
The Most Reverend Kevin McDonald	DD	2005
Joan McGregor	DUniv	2017
Rita McLean	DLitt	2010
Paul McMaster	MD	2012
Derek McMinn	MD	2009
Angela Maxwell	DUniv	2010
Professor Paul Mealor	DMus	2023
Caragh Merrick	DUniv	2018
Ms Jacqueline Minor	LLD	2016
Dame Julie Moore	DUniv	2013
Robert Graham Moore	DUniv	2004
Edwina Moreton	DUniv	2005
Terry Morgan	DEng	2013
Clare Morrall	DLitt	2004
Baroness (Estelle) Morris of Yardley	DUniv	2006
Professor Ian Morris	DLitt	2014
Lynn Morris	DUniv	2004
William Morris	LLD	2002
Dr Hamid Mughal	DEng	2014

Dr Joseph Munitiz	DLitt	2004
David Murray	DMus	2012
Rt Rev Gordon Mursell	DD	2005
Tom Murtha	DUniv	2009
Harold John Musgrove	DUniv	2000
Stuart Norman Mustow	DEng	2000

N

Dr Mohammed Naseem	DUniv	2005
Gareth Neame OBE DL	DUniv	2023
Rt. Revd. Vincent Gerard Nichols	DD	2004
Baroness (Emma) Nicholson of Winterbourne	DSc	2004
Mr David Nicholson	DUniv	2007
Professor John Nolan	DEng	2014

O

Una O'Brien	DUniv	2015
Femi Oke	DUniv	2022
Sandie Okoro	DUniv	2019
Sir David Omand	DUniv	2007
Professor Sir Keith O'Nions	DSc	2010
Sakari Oramo	DMus	2004
Rt Hon Sir Philip Otton	LLD	2007
Professor Sir Michael Owen	MD	2018
Nick Owen CBE	DUniv	2022

P

Elaine Padmore	DMus	2008
John Roundell Palmer, Earl of Selborne	DSc	2000
Dr Keith Palmer	DUniv	2013
Cornelia Parker	DUniv	2005
Professor Julian Parkhill	DSc	2024
Rt. Hon. Christopher Francis Patten	LLD	2001
Anthony Payne	DMus	2001
Professor Derek Pearsall	DLitt	2014
Professor John Peel	DLitt	2012
Professor Sir John Pendry	DSc	2019
Adam Pengilly	DUniv	2012
Dr Desra Percaya	DUniv	2014
Professor David Philips	DSc	2011
Lord Phillips of Worth Maltravers	LLD	2003
John Plant	DUniv	2014
Professor Chris Pollock	DUniv	2011
Sir Brian Pomeroy	DUniv	2018
Professor Sir Keith Porter	MD	2018
Professor Sigbert Prais	DSc	2006

Norman Price	DUniv	2006
Sir Ian (Maurice Gray) Prosser	DUniv	2001
Lord (David) Puttnam of Queensgate	DLitt	2002

R

Professor Sir George Radda	DSc	2003
General Sir David (John) Ramsbotham	LLD	2002
James Ratcliffe	DSc	2008
Sir Francis Richards	DUniv	2012
Baroness Kathleen Margaret Richardson	DD	2000
David Roberts	DUniv	2023
John Harris Robinson	DEng	2000
Dr José Narro Robles	DSc	2012
Mark Rowley	DUniv	2018
Dr John Ruddick	DMus	2006
Sir Paul Ruddock	DUniv	2019

S

Paul Sabapathy	DUniv	2010
Surindar Sahota	DEng	2004
Professor Dato Dr Hasssan Said	DEng	2010
Professor Shimon Sakaguchi	MD	2019
Professor Bengt Saltin	DSc	2007
Carolyn Sampson	DMus	2023
Sir John Saunders	LLD	2008
Brian Schottlander	DSc	2001
Professor Dr Henning Schulte-Noelle	LLD	2000
Professor Hans-Paul Schwefel	DSc	2007
His Excellency HRH Prince Seeiso Bereng Seeiso	DUniv	2007
Rt Rev Peter Selby	DD	2007
Professor Amartya Sen	DSc	2000
Ajit Seth	DUniv	2015
Professor Herbert F Sewell	DDS	2001
The Right Reverend John Mugabi Tucker Sentamu	DD	2003
Professor Cedric Shackleton	DSc	2016
Professor Pritam Sharma	DEng	2013
Adrian Shooter	DUniv	2013
Lord (David Alec Gwyn) Simon of Highbury	LLD	2003
Professor John Philip Simons	DSc	2002
Christopher Sims, OBE, QPM	LLD	2010
James Simpson	DMus	2024
Dr A Didar Singh	DUniv	2014
Bhai Sahib Dr Mohinder Singh	DUniv	2006
Dr Simon Singh	DSc	2010
Jane Sixsmith	DUniv	2004
Jeffrey Skidmore OBE	DMus	2017
Barbara Slater	DUniv	2011

Jane Slowey	DUniv	2014
Mr Martin Slumbers	DUniv	2016
The Rt Rev Dr Alan Smith	DD	2010
Ed Smith CBE	DUniv	2015
Baroness (Elizabeth) Smith of Gilmorehill	DUniv	2005
Rt Hon Jacqui Smith	DUniv	2018
Cilla Snowball	DUniv	2017
Nitin Sodha	DUniv	2014
Professor Javier Solana	LLD	2002
Ranjit Sondhi	DUniv	2010
Leonard Stall	DUniv	2019
Professor Michael Sterling	DEng	2009
Simon Stevens	DUniv	2015
Councillor Mrs Theresa Stewart	LLD	2000
Professor J Fraser Stoddart	DSc	2005
Professor Wolfgand Streeck	DSc	2000
Andy Street	DUniv	2015
Murugappa Subbiah	DUniv	2011
Philip Sugarman	MD	2015
Professor Martin William Swales	DSc	2003
Meera Syal	DLitt	2003

T

Jagjit Singh Taunque	DUniv	2001
Dr John Michael Taylor	DSc	2002
Jean Templeton	DUniv	2006
Professor Svetlana Grigor'evna Ter-Minasova	DLitt	2002
Colette Thomson	DUniv	2021
Professor Alan Thorpe	DSc	2012
Professor David Thouless	DUniv	2017
Mrs Margaret Threadgold	DLitt	2002
Claire Tomalin	DLitt	2005
Lord (John Edward) Tomlinson of Walsall	LLD	2003
Mr John Tomlinson	DMus	2004
Ronan Treacy	MD	2009
Thomas Trotter	DMus	2006
David Troughton	DLitt	2019
Mark-Anthony Turnage	DMus	2005
Ian Tyler	DUniv	2014

U

Professor Jennifer Uglow	DLitt	2003
The Right Reverend David Urquhart	DD	2009

V

Dr Andrew Vallance-Owen	DUniv	2012
Dr Justin Varney	MD	2022

The Right Reverend Stephen Venner	DD	2008
His Excellency Gebhardt von Moltke	LLD	2000
Hermann Freiherr von Richthofen	LLD	2000
Stephen Vranch	DEng	2005

W

Steve Walker	DUniv	2007
Sir Stephen Wall	LLD	2004
Harriet Mary Walter	DLitt	2001
Lord Alan Watson	DUniv	2012
Professor Peter Weissberg	DSc	2013
Fay Weldon	DLitt	2001
Christine (“Chrissie”) Wellington	DUniv	2010
Mike Welton	DEng	2008
Samuel West	DLitt	2014
Ann Widdecombe	DUniv	2012
Mark Williams	DLitt	2008
Dorothy Wilson	DUniv	2014
Sir Richard Thomas James Wilson	LLD	2000
Sir Robert Wilson	DSc	2002
Chris Woakes	DUniv	2022
Anne Wood	DUniv	2013
Dr Michael Wood	DLitt	2005
Professor Teresa Woodruff	DUniv	2016
Brian Woods-Scawen	LLD	2003
Lord (Harry Kenneth) Woolf of Barnes	LLD	2002
Chancellor Phyllis Wise	DSc	2015
Sir David John Wright	LLD	2000
David Wright	DEng	2022
Terence Richard Wright	DEng	2000

Y

Sir Hossein Yassaie	DUniv	2013
Professor Yevgeny Yasin	DUniv	2005
Sir Nicholas Young	DUniv	2023

Z

Professor Graham Zellick	LLD	2006
Benjamin Zephaniah	DLitt	2008
Professor Zude Zhou	DEng	2015