



Chairman:

The Rt Hon Sir Iain Duncan Smith MP
Leader of the Conservative Party (2001—2003)
Secretary of State for Work & Pensions (2010—2016)

Sir Iain has been the Member of Parliament for Chingford (& Wood Green) since 1992. He was Shadow Secretary of State for Social Security from 1997 to 1999 and Shadow Secretary of State for Defence from 1999 to 2001. He was elected and served as Leader of the Conservative Party (& Leader of the Opposition) from 2001 until 2003. He was Secretary of State for Work & Pensions from 2010 to 2016. He founded the Centre for Social Justice in 2005 and is Chairman of the Social Justice Policy Group. Before entering politics Sir Iain served in the Scots Guards.

Speaker:

The Lord Ricketts GCMG GCVO
British Ambassador to France (2012—2016)
Permanent Secretary at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (2006—2010)



Sir Peter Ricketts has had a long and distinguished career in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office which he joined in 1974. He served as Assistant Private Secretary to former Foreign Secretary Geoffrey Howe and has been posted to Singapore, Washington, Paris and Brussels. From 2000 to 2001 he was Chairman of the Joint Intelligence Committee responsible

for MI6, MI5, GCHQ, and Defence Intelligence. He was the Permanent Representative to NATO from 2003 to 2006. He served as the Permanent Secretary at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office from 2006 to 2010 and was the UK National Security Adviser from 2010 to 2012. He became British Ambassador to France in 2012 until he retired from the Diplomatic Service in 2016 when he was elevated to the Upper House. He is a Visiting Professor at King's College London, and Honorary President of the Normandy Memorial Trust building the national memorial to those who fell in the 1944 battle of Normandy.

Ukraine: The Russian Invasion

Russia's shocking and unprovoked attack on Ukraine has horrified the free world. President Putin's actions are clearly an affront to democracy and a violation of international law. His purported reasoning is "to de-militarise and de-Nazify" his western-leaning neighbour which was hoping to join NATO and therefore "poses a threat to Russia". But is it in reality about an egotistical and dictatorial ex-KGB officer from the Soviet era seeking to expand his empire? We have invited a distinguished panel of political, diplomatic, and military experts to give their opinions on Tuesday 25th October 2022 at the Cavalry & Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PX. We hope you can join us.

1930 on Tuesday, 25th October 2022
at The Cavalry & Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PX



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and **Captain Richard MacLure**
Late Royal Scots Dragoon Guards

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Conservative Voice Meeting: The Invasion of Ukraine
*to be held at The Cavalry & Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, London W1J 7PX
Tuesday, 25th October 2022 commencing at 1930*

Speakers:

The Lord Ricketts of Shortlands GCMG GCVO

*British Ambassador to France 2012—2016
National Security Adviser 2010—2012*

Permanent Secretary at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office 2006—2010

Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Graydon GCB CBE

Chief of the Air Staff 1992—1997

Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief RAF Strike Command 1991—1992

*Drinks: 1930—2000 ■ Speeches: 2000—2100 ■ Drinks: 2100—2130
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CONSERVATIVE VOICE was founded to unite grassroots activists and senior politicians in supporting the Conservative agenda of individual aspiration, small government, low taxes, more direct accountability to voters and radical thinking on providing public services and tackling the country's social and economic challenges.

Speaker:

**Air Chief Marshal
Sir Michael Graydon
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*Chief of the Air Staff
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Commissioned into the Royal Air Force in 1959 Sir Michael became a Flying Instructor at No 1 Flying Training School. He then joined 56 Squadron serving at RAF Wattisham and RAF Akrotiri. After service as Staff Officer to the Deputy Commander-in-Chief Allied Forces Europe, he served on the operations staff at the Ministry of Defence. In 1977 he became Commanding Officer, No 11 Squadron at RAF Binbrook and then became Military Assistant to the Chief of the Defence Staff. He commanded RAF Leuchars from 1981 to 1983 and then RAF Stanley, Falkland

Islands. Following a number of senior staff appointments Sir Michael served as Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief RAF Support Command from 1989 to 1991 and then Air Officer Commanding-in-Chief Strike Command from 1991 to 1992. He is President of the Battle of Britain Memorial Trust.