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THE CAMBRIDGE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ECONOMIC CRIME

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Dear Colleague,

Over the last forty years, the Cambridge Symposium has established itself as a unique vehicle for promoting, at a truly international level, greater understanding of the real and practical issues involved in preventing and controlling economic crime, corruption and abuse and thereby facilitating meaningful co-operation. The programme for our Forty-First annual symposium has been designed on the advice of many governmental and other agencies around the world to constitute a unique platform for the analysis and discussion of a host of very real issues related to the direct and indirect threats to our security and the stability of our economies as a result of economically motivated and relevant crime and misconduct.

While we attempt to cover a very broad range of topical issues the focus for this year's programme is suspect wealth. An international array of leading experts, from a wide range of disciplines, will analyse and discuss the determination, identification and interdiction of suspect wealth. In particular we will consider the impact of legal and regulatory interventions on third parties and especially on those who in the ordinary course of their business look after other people's wealth. The emphasis within the symposium has always been on practical issues recognizing the interdisciplinary nature of many of these. Consequently, we draw in experts from a very wide range of backgrounds, including policy makers, judges, law enforcement, regulation, compliance, the professions, the financial sector and the academy.

In recent years the symposium has attracted well over 1,800 participants from over 100 countries. Just spend a few minutes to look through the 41st Symposium programme which is unique in its topicality, depth, relevance and expertise. The symposium is not an ordinary conference - it was conceived to fulfil a very practical purpose which is even more relevant today than ever. By promoting understanding of the issues that we all face in preventing and controlling economically motivated crime, we seek to promote more effective co-operation in preventing and interdicting harm to our institutions and economies. The importance of this was dramatically underlined in the recent Global Fraud Summit hosted by the UK government in March 2024.

The annual Cambridge symposium has for more than forty years has brought together, in one of the oldest medieval Colleges of the University of Cambridge, a unique range of experts to address a broad spectrum of issues relating to the prevention and control of economically motivated crime and misconduct. Over the years its deliberations have contributed to the conception and design of new legislation and regulation and facilitated more effective and efficient enforcement, intervention and compliance. The symposium is structured to provide a depth and breadth of opportunity - second to none, for those participating to be alerted, not only of existing, but also new threats, and how best to address them. The Cambridge Symposium is not and has never been just a conference. It is organised on a non-profit making basis by some of the world's most respected academic and research institutions with the active involvement and support of numerous governmental and inter-governmental bodies. Those who are concerned to protect and promote the integrity and wellbeing of their national economy, institution or enterprise – or who are concerned to better understand the risks facing business today, cannot afford to miss this very special event.

The organisers are well aware of the value to participants in meeting and discussing particular problems with colleagues on an informal basis. Consequently, through the programme of workshops, think tanks and during the social activities there is considerable scope for discussing specific issues and particular concerns. Participants are encouraged on the basis of 'Chatham house rule' to engage with speakers and panelists both inside and outside the formal proceedings.

The full registration fee covers participation in the main programme, the workshops, extensive documentation, lunch and dinner in College. Daily registration is also available. If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact either myself at Jesus College, or or Mrs Angela Futter on +44(0)1223872160 or +44(0)7950047259, email <u>info@crimesymposium.org</u>.

If you are not in a position to attend the Symposium this year, but would like to be kept informed of other programmes run by CIDOEC and other organising institutions, please do contact us. We would also be most grateful if you could pass the Symposium programme to any colleague who you think might be interested in participating.

Yours sincerely,

Professor Barry A.K. Rider OBE, Executive Director and Co-Chairman of the Symposium