New Year's Reception with guest speaker Professor Dr. Heinz-Dieter Smeets, Chair of International Economics, Heinrich-Heine-Universität Düsseldorf

Dear Oxford and Cambridge alumni,

You are cordially invited to our sixth New Year’s Reception. After adopting the social and the political perspective on what looked like a potential Brexit in previous years, our focus this year will be on the economics of Britain leaving the European Union.

**Date & Time:** Friday, 18th January 2019, 6.30 for 7pm  
**Venue:** Industrie-Club, Elberfelderstrasse 6, 40213 Düsseldorf

In writing these lines we were overtaken by the breaking news that “Theresa May is faced with and will want to resist a vote of no confidence” and again by her successful defence.
It remains unclear whether the Brexit show will be called off at the last minute or how it will continue. In any case, we are delighted to be having Professor Smeets with us for the evening to talk about the economic relationships between Germany and the U.K. against the background of recent developments, that is (in German) under the title: “Der Brexit und seine ökonomischen Folgen”.

To make sure we offer more than just food for thought, the talk will be held over dinner:

Carrot and coconut soup

Salmon fillet roasted in brown sugar with soya
apple, pointed cabbage and baby potatoes

or

Duo of venison
in red wine and cranberry sauce:
Braised leg and medium rare saddle of venison
with Brussels sprouts and potato noodles.

The price for the evening is €62; this includes aperitif, water, selected wines GRAUBURGUNDER STEINWIEGE 2017, Weingut Schnaitmann, Württemberg and BARBERA D’ALBA 2016, Imbottigliato da Giacosa Fratelli as well as coffee after dinner.

To register for the event, please reply by e-mail to both Markus.Brandstetter@oxbridge.de and Patrick.Butz@oxbridge.de. State your name, college, matriculation year, choice of menu, (SALMON or VENISON), and, should you wish to come in company, the name of your guest. Dress code: Evening dress, festive, elegant.

With your registration we request prepayment of the amount of €62 per person, which is refundable in cases of force majeure, but in any case will become nonrefundable 14 days before the date of the event, to the following bank account:

IBAN DE56 7012 0400 7254 4090 27, BIC DABBDEMMXXX,

owned by the signatory on the left, using the same references as by e-mail. Please note that we can count and process your reservation only after receiving your payment.

With very best wishes,

in absence

Dr. Markus BRANDSTETTER
(Clare Hall, Cambridge, 1993)

Prof. Dr. Dr. h. c. Dieter BIRNBACHER
(Caius College, Cambridge, 1969)
About the speaker:

Heinz-Dieter Smeets, born 1952 in Moers, Germany. Professor of economics at the University of Düsseldorf since 1991, Chair of International Economics since 2006.

Recent publications:


For complete bibliography see here.

About the club:

Please refer to previous invitation or follow the hyperlink on page 1.