

# School of Engineering

## MSc Welcome Reception with Guest Speaker



### “See the World – Stretch Your Brain”

*As an engineer working in the oil and gas industry, I have been lucky enough to travel the world. I have been asked to confront issues and dilemmas that as an engineer, I never thought would come across my desk. My talk begins on the North Slope of Alaska, moves down to the ultra deepwater of the Gulf of Mexico, then across the Atlantic and up into the Caucasus mountains of Azerbaijan and Georgia ending on the island of Papua in Indonesia. Along this journey, I offer my thoughts on some of the attributes that I have observed in many of the “great engineers” that I have had the privilege to work with.*

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2013, 15.00 - 18.00**

Refreshments will be served from 16.15

**Lecture Room FN1 Fraser Noble Building, University of Aberdeen  
Followed by a reception in the foyer area of Fraser Noble Building**

Graham is a graduate in Civil Engineering of the University of Aberdeen, a Chartered Engineer and a Fellow of the Institution of Civil Engineers. After graduating in 1973, he joined the Ove Arup Partnership where he worked for seven years on the design and construction of major road and rail bridge structures. He joined BP in 1980 as a civil engineer where he worked on BP projects and operations around the globe. In the period 1986 -1990, he returned to Aberdeen where he was the Company Structural Engineering Technical Authority responsible for the integrity of BP’s North Sea installations. Subsequently he held senior positions including Engineering Manager Alaska Gas commercialisation and Director of Technology of BP’s International Gas Division. From 2005 to 2010 he held the position of Vice President and Chief Engineer for BP Exploration and Production. He retired from BP in 2010 and is currently retained as a Senior Advisor to BP, Schlumberger and Centrica, and as an expert witness by Nabarro.



**Graham McNeillie**  
Senior Advisor to BP, Schlumberger  
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**RSVP: Please contact Yvonne Buckingham (y.buckingham@abdn.ac.uk) by Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September to accept your invitation to attend this event.**