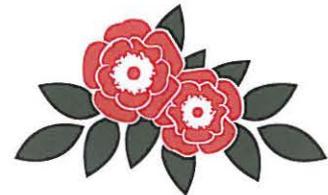


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‘Giant’ changes in Fire Law addressed by leader in the field

Professor Rosemarie Everton is to give a guest lecture at the University of Central Lancashire as part of the Giants’ Shoulders series in which experts in their field talk to fellow senior professionals about current issues.

The Giants’ Shoulders lecture series is inspired from the famous quotation by Sir Isaac Newton paying tribute to his scientific predecessors: “If I have seen further, it is by standing on the shoulders of giants.”

Professor Everett’s lecture “From great shoulders to a giant leap: New laws for fire safety” plots the development of the law dealing with fire precautions once premises are occupied and traces the way in which this body of the law gradually grew until it had ‘great shoulders’. She will then show how, not long ago, the law took off in a new direction, thus taking a novel step which is being turned, by sweeping legal reforms, into a ‘giant leap’. Finally, she will ask “Does this giant leap augur more or less protection from the ever-present peril of fire?”

Professor Everton is a specialist in fire safety law. She holds an Associate Membership of the Institution of Fire Engineers, is a visiting lecturer at the Fire Service College and has published extensively on the subject of fire safety law and policy. She joined the University of Central Lancashire in the summer of 1998 as the first ever Chair in Fire Law, a unique position that was welcomed universally by the fire safety industry. The Chair in Fire Law was considered of such national importance that Rosemarie was formally inaugurated at the House of Commons and Tony Blair showed his support for the event by writing a personal foreword for the inauguration brochure.

Admission to the lecture at 6pm on Thursday 29 May 2003 is by ticket only, available from Ms Jodie McNeillie, Management Services, University of Central Lancashire, Preston, PR1 2HE, Tel: 01772 892347 email jmcneillie@uclan.ac.uk.

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