

# *The Governing Body*

**Professor Bernard King, M.Sc., Ph.D., F.I.W.Sc., C.Biol., F.I.Biol.,** (Chairman), is Principal and Vice-Chancellor, University of Abertay Dundee, having joined it in 1992 from the Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, where he was Assistant Principal and Dean of the Faculty of Health and Food. He is a Board Member of Scottish Enterprise Tayside and a Governor of the Unicorn Preservation Society. He is a member of the International Research Group on Wood Preservation and of the Biodeterioration and British Mycological Societies. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 1998.

**Mr Edward Angus, MBE, M.Sc., Fio.D.,** has been actively involved in the start-up of several knowledge economy companies since retiring from Napier University in 1999, where he held the post of Business Director for the University and Managing Director of Napier University Ventures Limited. His degree in corporate leadership was gained after studying business incubation systems and processes in the US, UK, the continent and Scandinavia. His strategic management experience at Board level in food, textiles and distribution companies, span a period of 25 years and he was awarded the honour of an MBE for his contribution to exporting in 1977. He is a member of the Chairman's Committee and the Remuneration Committee, and is also a Director of Mylnefield Research Services Limited. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2000.

**Dr Martin Battersby, B.Sc., D.Phil.,** has spent much of his career in agribusiness working with ICI, Zeneca and Syngenta in the UK and USA. Having recently left Syngenta he has set up his own consultancy business in the field of bioscience particularly for global agriculture. A biochemist by training his recent work for Zeneca and Syngenta has included directing gene and chemical discovery strategies and managing collaborative research investments. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Professor David Boxer, B.Sc., Ph.D.,** is currently Vice Principal (Research and Enterprise) at Dundee University. He has held a number of positions at Dundee University including Dean of Faculty of Science and Engineering and Chairman of the Biochemistry Department. He has been Professor of Microbial Biochemistry at Dundee University since

1990. He has led a reappraisal of Dundee University's academic and financial priorities to produce a blueprint for the future management of the University and has been a major player in establishing a wide ranging and novel partnership agreement with another Scottish university. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Professor Richard Cogdell, B.Sc., Ph.D., F.R.S.E.,** was awarded his two degrees by Bristol University, and completed his post-doctoral research in the USA. He joined the Botany Department of Glasgow University (now the Institute of Biomedical and Life Sciences) in 1975, and currently holds the Hooker Chair of Botany there. He was awarded a Humbolt Research Prize in 1995. He is a member of the Chairman's Committee, and chairs the Governing Body Science sub-committee. He is also a Director of Mylnefield Research Services Limited and is a Trustee of the Mylnefield Trust. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 1997.

**Dr Keith Dawson, B.Sc., Ph.D., D.I.C.P.,** is Principal Crop Consultant at the Scottish Agricultural College. He was previously Technical Director of CSC CropCare, the largest privately owned crop consultancy service in the north of the UK. He trained as an agricultural and environmental scientist and was awarded his degrees by the University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and the University of Reading. He joined the Scottish Agricultural College in 1982 and, after a spell as Northern Technical Advisory Manager for BASF(UK) Ltd, formed CSC CropCare in 1987. He is an elected director of BASIS(UK) Ltd and a member of the Government's Pesticide Forum. He also has been closely associated with the Scottish Natural Heritage TIBRE programme, utilising new technology for agronomic and environmental benefit. His main interests are in crop protection and Integrated Farming Management. He is a member of the Governing Body Science Sub Committee. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2000.

**Dr Mervyn Eddie, B.Agr., Ph.D.,** gained both his degrees from The Queen's University, Belfast. After employment as a research scientist by the Ministry of Agriculture, Northern Ireland for four years, he joined Unilever plc where he spent 25 years mainly in their

agribusiness operations, eventually becoming Chairman, in sequence, of two agribusiness subsidiary companies. The first was based in Scotland and the second in Malaysia. He retired from Unilever in 1999. He is a member of the Governing Body Audit Committee and Risk Committee. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2000.

**Mrs Wendy Goldstraw, B.Sc., P.G.Dip.B.A., M.C.I.P.D.,** gained her degrees from the University of Edinburgh, before joining the Post Office as a management trainee. After a number of roles in human resources and line management, she was latterly General Manager for Post Office Counters Ltd for Scotland and Northern Ireland, with responsibility for 2800 Post Offices. She was an executive member of both the Scottish and Northern Ireland Post Office Boards, and served as a Director of Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce and also on the Scottish Committee of the Institute of Directors. She was a member of the Accounts Commission for Scotland from 1994 until 2002 and is a member of the Standards Commission for Scotland. She is a member of the Chairman's Committee. She was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2000.

**Mr Keith Hopkins, F.C.A.,** joined Reeves & Neylan, Chartered Accountants, in Canterbury, Kent, in 1971, from a farming background. He moved to open the Scottish Practice in 1978 and was appointed a partner in 1981. "The Scottish Partnership" (a separate business since April 1996) acts for over 500 farmers in Scotland, and specialises in the establishment of farmer-led agricultural cooperatives and large landed estates. His firm, with eight partners, now has three offices, located in Forfar, Perth and Dundee, and employs over 60 staff. Mr Hopkins specialises in capital taxes, agricultural law and cooperatives, business development, writes for the agricultural press, and lectures throughout Scotland. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland, a member of the Society of Trust and estate Practitioners, a member of the Institute of Directors, a member of the Rotary Club of Kirriemuir and Chairman of the charity Childlink Scotland. He is involved in a number of charitable organisations. He is the Chairman of Angus Farmers Markets. He is Chairman of the Governing Body Audit Committee. He is also a Director of Mylnefield Research Services Limited and is a Trustee of the Mylnefield Trust. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 1997.

**Dr Thomas Jolliffe, B.Sc., Ph.D.,** is currently General Manager and Managing Director of Advanta Seeds. Having studied for his PhD while working at the John Innes Institute he has several years experience in the seeds industry, particularly in relation to quality systems, breeding of European cereals and marketing and sales of forage products. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Mr Ian McLaren, S.D.A.,** is a partner in a family owned farming business, specialising in potato and cereal production. He is also a partner in a retail dairy business, a garage business, and a visitors' centre. He is Chairman of a leisure complex, the Dewar's Centre in Perth, and a member of the Perth & Kinross Agricultural Forum, and was a member of the Home-Grown Cereals Authority from 1988 to 1997. He is a member of the Governing Body Risk Committee. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2000.

**Emeritus Professor Sir John Marsh, C.B.E., M.A., P.G.Dip.Ag.Econ., F.R.A.S.E., F.R.Ag.S., C.Biol., F.I.Biol.,** was Professor of Agricultural Economics, University of Aberdeen, from 1977-1984, then Professor of Agricultural Economics, University of Reading from 1984-1997. He is a former Director of the Centre of Agricultural Strategy and Chairman of the Agricultural Wages Board, and is currently Chairman of RURAL Council, Governor of the Royal Agricultural College, and Chairman of the Scientific Advisory Group set up to advise the Defra Chief Scientist. He was made a Knight Bachelor in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in 1999 for his wide-ranging contributions to agriculture and agricultural research. He is a member of the Chairman's Committee and the Remuneration Committee. He is also a Director of Mylnefield Research Services Limited and is a Trustee of the Mylnefield Trust. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 1998.

**Dr Michael Morgan, B.A. Ph.D.,** has recently retired from the Wellcome Trust where he had been working as the Director of Research Partnerships and Ventures and Chief Executive of the Wellcome Trust Genome Campus in Cambridge. A key part of his role was developing new partnerships outwith the University based research supported by the Wellcome Trust. He has also held a number of Directorships and is a Trustee of the Institute for Cancer Research. His background is in biochemistry and recent initiatives he has been involved with include the International

Human Genome Sequencing Project, the Structural Genomics Consortium and the new UK synchrotron DIAMOND being built at the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Professor Steve Parry, B.Sc., Ph.D.,** is the Director of Frozen Foods Research and Sustainable Agriculture Research at Unilever Colworth R&D in Bedfordshire. Having started his career working in animal health and later medical diagnostics he changed career direction with a move to Unilever's Frozen Foods division in 1995. His current role includes having direct responsibility for the Frozen Foods Category Research Unit and being the Sustainability Research Leader as well as having responsibility for the Colworth Farm. He is also a visiting professor of Biological Sciences at Essex University specialising in the area of sustainability and has recently joined the World Bank Steering Group for the Assessment of Science and Technology for Global Agriculture. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Professor George Salmond, B.Sc., M.A., Ph.D., F.R.S.A.,** is currently Professor of Molecular Microbiology in the Biochemistry Department at the University of Cambridge, and a Professorial Fellow of Wolfson College. His research group is working on various aspects of molecular microbiology and genet-

ics including quorum sensing, global gene regulation, bacterial virulence and antibiotic regulation and synthesis in the plant pathogen (*Erwinia*). He has industrial experience from working for a chemical biotechnology company in the USA and has also served on the Scientific Advisory Board of NSC Technologies in the USA. In addition Professor Salmond has been Chairman of a number of BBSRC and SEERAD committees and is currently a member of the Governing Council of the John Innes Centre. He was appointed to the Governing Body of SCRI in 2003.

**Professor A.R. Slabas, B.Sc., D.Phil.,** is Head of Plant Molecular Biology Research in the Department of Biological Sciences, University of Durham, where he leads a team involved in various aspects of lipid metabolism ranging from novel gene identification to structural studies. His more recent interests are in proteomics and the plant cell wall. He has extensive collaboration with industry, including Biogenma, Zeneca, Linnaeus and Unilever. He has served as a panel member of the UK Technology Foresight Programme 'Crops for Food and Industrial Use'; the Eukaryotic Cell Link Management Committee; and the BBSRC Innovative Manufacturing Committee. He is a member of the Governing Body Science Committee. He joined the Governing Body of SCRI in 1995.