



Oxfordshire Branch

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Dear Oxfordshire Branch Member

Chair's report and programme for 2012-13

I hope that you enjoyed last year's programme. As you can see from the topics mentioned on the right, we covered a wide range of interests and have seen good attendance at most meetings as well as positive feedback. Reports of many past meetings are on our website.

A copy of our full programme for the coming year is enclosed. We have worked hard to make this programme both relevant and interesting and there should be something here for everyone. The latest programme details are always on our website and in our monthly e-mail newsletters, so please keep an eye on these – details do sometimes change and some of the events require online booking. We are also looking to add a couple of other events to the programme during 2013 but have not been able to confirm details at the time of writing.

We are always looking for new ideas for events and good, interesting speakers. Please let me know if you have any ideas or suggestions for things that you would like us to cover. One thing that we are trying to address is how to support our younger members – please look out for more on this soon!

I would like to thank my fellow Committee members for their support and hard work over the past year. Our next AGM is on 11th October 2012 when we will be looking to re-elect the Committee and I am delighted that at least one new face has expressed an interest in joining us. Apart from organising the Branch programme, the Committee is a vital link between the BCS and its membership.

We would like to see more people at our meetings and would encourage you to promote our events to your friends and colleagues, whether or not they are BCS members. We are also looking at other ways to promote the Branch including the use of social media, so please join us on Facebook and LinkedIn where we are looking to continue the discussions at the meetings.

We finish most of our Oxford meetings with a trip to the Lamb & Flag in St Giles. Please do join us and let us know how we can improve the programme and services to branch members. If you don't meet up with us at the pub, please use the contact form at www.oxon.bcs.org to give us feedback.

We look forward to seeing you at some of our events.

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Last year's events:

Sex, Lies and Instant Messenger and How to think about Security



Washing away cave paintings - A technical evaluation

Smashing IT - Data processing at Large Hadron Collider

Professor Heinz Wolff

Connecting a Smarter Planet



Cloud computing: a debate



Timing is everything



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