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# Universities And Their Role In An Era Of Global Challenges



Prof Sir Leszek Borysiewicz FRS, FMedSci Vice-Chancellor University of Cambridge

Universities today are expected to meet many – and often conflicting – demands: to be sources of skilled labour, creators of expertise, incubators of businesses, engines for economic growth.

In this lecture, Professor Sir Leszek Borysiewicz FRS, FMedSci, addresses the question of what role world-leading universities must play, and how universities can show global leadership at a time when we are confronted by challenges that transcend national borders. As knowledge and expertise are called into question, he will argue that universities have a key part to play as bastions of critical thinking.

Professor Sir Leszek was the former Chief Executive of the UK Medical Research Council where he frequently contributed to public debates on support for medical sciences. He was a former Deputy Rector of Imperial College London. He is a founding Fellow of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

Professor Sir Leszek is a proponent of translation of medical discoveries in medical sciences to treatment while urging researchers to never lose sight of the importance of fundamental discovery. He was knighted by Queen Elizabeth II in 2001 for his contribution to medical education and research into developing vaccines, including work towards a vaccine to combat cervical cancer.

Professor Sir Leszek has been appointed the Chairman of Cancer Research UK in November 2016.

## Date:

12 April 2017 Wednesday

### Time:

5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

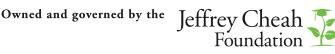
#### Venue:

Auditorium JC 3, Level 1, Sunway University

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