

## Who should attend

The seminar will be of great interest to trade unionists, employment lawyers, personnel specialists, academics and students and those concerned with the development of public policy.

## How to book

To reserve your place, complete the form below and send your cheque, made payable to IER, to Institute of Employment Rights, The People's Centre, 50-54 Mount Pleasant, Liverpool L3 5SD.

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## CPD, NPP and EPP accreditation

This seminar counts for credit hours under the Law Society's Continuing Development Scheme and the General Council of the Bar's New Practitioners' Programme and Established Practitioners' Programme.

## Additional Information

Details of nearby hotels are available from the office. Name changes are accepted up until the time of the event. Delegates who advise IER of their cancellation more than 15 working days in advance will receive a credit note with 10% deduction for administration.

## How to get there

Nearest tube and train King's Cross and Euston.

## Cost

IER subscribers and members	£45.00
Trade unions	£60.00
Commercial	£120.00

## Booking form

Please reserve \_\_\_ places at Occupational Pensions seminar at £

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# occupational pensions:

## delayed wages subtracted?

## a seminar

wednesday 10th March 2010

1:30pm – 4:15pm

at NUT Hamilton House, Mabledon Place,  
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## about the seminar

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It has been a long path from Turner's Pension Commission in 2005 which insisted on a minimum employer contribution of 3% to occupational pensions. And while we should welcome the new pensions system which will for the first time compel every employer to contribute to their staff pensions we still need to consider:

- where the law stands
- how pension provision in the UK can be improved and protected.

Despite the threats to workers' occupational pensions during the economic recession, platinum-plated pensions are still being enjoyed by FTSE 100 directors, which regularly pay out nearly £250,000 a year. Despite much rhetoric to the contrary, taxpayers spend twice as much on private sector executive pensions than on public sector pensions. While private and public sector employers continue to attempt to close final salary pension schemes unions have engaged in high profile disputes and campaigns.

So what does the future hold for occupational pensions? This seminar will update delegates on developments in pension provision and will look at what unions are doing in the public and private sectors to best protect the pensions of their members.

## programme

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- 1:30 Registration
- 1:50 Introduction from Chair, Carolyn Jones, Director IER
- 2:00 Occupational pensions: a legal framework  
*Ivan Walker*
- 2.20 Defending occupational pensions in the public sector  
*Glyn Jenkins, Unison*
- 2.40 Questions and discussion
- 3.00 Tea and coffee
- 3.05 Occupational pensions and the recession: who bears the risk?  
*Bryn Davies, UPS*
- 3.25 Unite and pensions in the private sector  
*Bryan Freake, Unite*
- 3.45 Questions and discussion
- 4:15 Close

## speakers

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*Bryn Davies* is Director of UPS Ltd and co-author of Pension Promises and Employment Rights (IER, 2004).

*Brian Freake* is Pensions officer at Unite the Union.

*Glyn Jenkins* is the Head of Pensions at Unison.

*Carolyn Jones* has been Director of the Institute of Employment Rights since it was established in 1989.

*Ivan Walker* is a consultant for Thompsons Solicitors and has his own law firm, Walkers Law.