

**The OSCE Mission to Moldova invites to a public lecture:**

by

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on

**“Dependencies: The Isle of Man and others”**

**Date:** 16 September 2009

**Time:** 18:00

**Location:** Tiraspol Office of the OSCE Mission to Moldova, Str. Furmanova 1, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, free access. The lecture will be held in English with simultaneous translation into Russian

**Short biography**

St. John Bates is currently a Visiting Professor of Law and the Director of the Centre for Legislative and Parliamentary Studies at the University of Strathclyde in Scotland, UK. He is also an Associate Senior Research Fellow at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies in London and a Visiting Professor at the Isle of Man International Business School; and a member of the Commonwealth Association of Legislative Counsel, of the Council of the Statute Law Society in the U.K. and of the Board of the European Association of Legislation. Bates has an extensive career in teaching EU and UK law and as a parliamentary and legal adviser. After studying law at the University of Cambridge, he pursued an academic career in law specialising in public and EU law, with a particular interest in the drafting and interpretation of legislation. He taught at the Universities of Cambridge, Sussex, Edinburgh and lately Glasgow, where he was appointed as the first John Millar Professor of Law and Head of the Department of Public Law. Professor Bates is widely experienced in parliamentary affairs. He is a specialist in training legislative drafting and statutory interpretation, having given training courses for government lawyers in various countries on the subject, as well as university courses, for over thirty years. He is the editor of the *Statute Law Review*, which is the leading journal in the field published by Oxford University Press. In 2008, he prepared a preliminary report on the legislative process in Moldova for the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE).

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