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## **Trustees of the National Maritime Museum**

Eleanor Boddington and Professor Geoffrey Crossick have been reappointed as Trustees of the National Maritime Museum. Their terms of appointment will run from 8<sup>th</sup> April 2010 until 7<sup>th</sup> April 2014.

## Biographical notes

Eleanor Boddington is Senior Solicitor at the Wellcome Trust where she advises on all aspects of general commercial law and charity law affecting the UK's largest charity (2003 to date). Prior to this, she was solicitor in the commercial litigation department of Ashurst Solicitors, advising on a wide range of general commercial contentious issues, before joining the Wellcome Trust as a solicitor advising on a wide range of small to medium-sized general commercial and charity law projects (1996 to 2002). In 2002, she became Executive Assistant to the Trust's Director with responsibility for liaising with the Trust's Executive Board members and its Board of Governors (trustees) of Wellcome, as well a speech writing and policy work. Currently, she chairs the Legal and Tax Committee of the European Foundation Centre in Brussels. She has not undertaken any party political activity in the last five years

Professor Geoffrey Crossick is Warden of Goldsmiths College, University of London, where he has responsibility for academic leadership, strategic direction, and good management of one of the 1994 group of smaller research-intensive universities. He is a council member of the Royal College of Music, where he also serves as a member of its Audit Committee, as well as serving on the Governing Board of the Courtauld Institute. Prior to this, he served as Chief Executive of the Arts and Humanities Research Board, where he led the organisation through its successful transformation into a full Arts and Humanities Research (ARHC). His main area of research is the urban social history of 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> century Britain and Europe (particularly France). He has published and/or edited seven books and produced over 40 articles which have appeared in journals and edited collections. He is a member of the British Library's Advisory council. He has not undertaken any party political activity in the last five years

## Notes to Editors

The National Maritime Museum is the largest maritime museum in the world. It is open 362 days a year, and in 2009/10, it welcomed over 2.35 million visitors from across the world; its website attracted some 10 million users; 8 thousand collections related and subject enquiries were answered, and it provided for some 300 thousand learners. The Museum is an exempt charity and an Executive Non-Departmental Public Body (NDPB) with an annual expenditure of some £20 million. It has a staff of 420, under the Board of Trustees, the Director, and an Executive.

Trustees of the National Maritime Museum give their services on an honorary basis department for but reasonable expenses are reimbursed.

These Appointments have been made in accordance with the OCPA Code of Practice, and are made on merit. Political activity plays no part in the selection process.