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PROFESSOR JOHN USHER
1945–2008

PROFESSOR JOHN USHER was born in Manchester and was educated at Hyde Grammar School and the University of Newcastle. On graduation, he spent a formative year of postgraduate study at the University of Nancy, studying French private law with the help of a French government scholarship.

He began his university career at Exeter in 1967. Together with Dominik Lasok he was part of the pioneering team that helped establish the University of Exeter as a leading force in the field of European Law, even before UK accession to the European Community in 1973.

John held many posts at the University of Exeter, returning as Professor of European Law and Director of the Centre for European Legal Studies from 1986 to 1995. From 1995 to 2004, he held the Salvesen Chair of European Institutions at Edinburgh, before again accepting an invitation to return to Exeter, this time as Professor of European Law and Head of the Law School. He was a successful teacher, who was well respected and admired by his students and his colleagues. During his varied career, he also held posts at the European Court of Justice in Luxembourg, at the College of Europe in Bruges, and at the University of Amsterdam.

John was a devoted family man. He is survived by his wife, Jean, and by their sons and grandchildren.

THE JOHN USHER MEMORIAL FUND

As a tribute to this remarkable man, the University of Exeter, with the full support of John's family, is launching a fund to remember him. John was a leader in European Law and a great believer in the European project. He also strongly encouraged a comparative approach to legal study. Recognising this, the fund will be used to provide opportunities for law students who share these values. With your help, we can provide scholarships and bursaries for exceptional students who are experiencing financial hardship in areas that John particularly supported while he was Head of the Law School.

Areas we hope to support include:

- a hardship fund for undergraduates studying LLB with International Study;
- a European Law dissertation prize for a student who produces an exceptional piece of written work; *and*
- travel bursaries for postgraduate students attending Law conferences overseas.

We welcome contributions large and small from all those who wish to be associated with this Fund and its objectives. All contributors will be recognised with our deepest thanks in our Donor Report.

If you would like to support the John Usher Memorial Fund please complete the form overleaf. If you have any questions concerning the Fund, please contact Suzie Bannerman on **+44 (0)1392 269011** or by email at s.n.bannerman@exeter.ac.uk

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