

## **William Witherell**

Dr. Witherell joined the Secretariat of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in 1977 and since 1989 has been Director for Financial, Fiscal and Enterprise Affairs – recently renamed Financial and Enterprise Affairs. In that position he manages the Secretariat teams responsible for servicing the following OECD Committees: the Committee on Financial Markets, the Committee on International Investment and Multinational Enterprises, the Committee on Capital Movements and Invisible Transactions, the Committee on Competition Law and Policy, the Insurance Committee, the Working Group on Bribery and the Corporate Governance Steering Group. The Secretariat for the Financial Action Task Force (on money laundering) -- a separate institution -- is also part of his Directorate. He also manages the OECD cooperative programs with the transition economies and the emerging market economies in the policy areas covered by these committees as well as privatization, accounting and disclosure, insolvency and legal reform. He represents the OECD in the Financial Stability Forum.

Dr. Witherell, a U.S. citizen, is a 1963 Graduate of Colby College and holds an M.A. (1965) and a Ph.D. (1967) in Economics from Princeton University. Dr. Witherell began his career as a business economist with Exxon and Esso Eastern (1967-73), where he held positions in the economics, treasury and corporate planning functions. He moved to the international economic and financial relations field in 1973 with positions first in the U.S. Department of State (under the President's Executive Interchange Program) and then in the Department of the Treasury (1974-77) as Director of the Office of Financial Resources and Energy Finance.

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