

# Aberdeen Annual Investment Conference and Braemar Gathering 2012

'Investing despite uncertainty'

31 August and 1 September 2012

Aberdeenshire Scotland



## About Aberdeen Asset Management

At Aberdeen, asset management is our sole focus. We value original thinking, due diligence and first-hand research. With over 1,900 staff in 23 countries, our mission is to deliver superior asset performance and exemplary client service, through consistent active management processes across diverse asset classes. We manage around £185 billion of third party assets from our offices around the world.

## In Aberdeen

The city of Aberdeen is home and headquarters of the Aberdeen Asset Management Group. The group has been active in the local community since it was founded in 1983 through management buyout. Through sponsorship we support golf, hockey and rowing in the local community, and we also support some smaller local charities.

## Ardoe House Hotel

Just outside the city of Aberdeen, set amongst 30 acres of rolling Aberdeenshire countryside, the Ardoe House Hotel, inspired by Balmoral Castle when built, is a luxurious modern hotel while retaining all its baronial splendour of its previous incarnation as a 19th century manor house. The hotel is a brilliant marriage of Victorian opulence and contemporary elegance. Its intricately carved staircases, enormous fireplaces and rich wood panelling offer a tranquil retreat from the pressures of the outside world.

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## The Braemar Gathering

The Games at The Braemar Gathering received royal approval from Queen Victoria in 1848. The Royal Family continues to attend each year and Her Majesty The Queen is patron of the Games. Pipe and drum competitions, highland dancing, caber tossing, shot putting, hammer throwing and other traditional events take place.

The Braemar Gathering remains the biggest and most prestigious Scottish Highland Games event, attracting a large crowd each year. It is famous for its friendship and hospitality and attracts pipers and dancers of the highest standard. Aberdeen Asset Management is sponsoring the piping competition which, as always, is a highlight of the Games.

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The investment landscape continues to change rapidly. As policymakers in the developed world frantically try to keep up with the progressively worsening situations in their own economies, emerging markets continue to be largely underpinned by strong fundamentals. The question remains as to where the global economy will go from here and how do investors potentially benefit from their investments in such an uncertain climate?

#### Timetable

12:00 – 12:45	Registration
12:45 – 1:55	Buffet lunch
1:55 – 2:00	Housekeeping Piers Currie, Group Head of Marketing
2:00 – 2:05	Welcome Martin Gilbert, Chief Executive Officer
2:05 – 2:25	Opening address Alex Salmond, First Minister of Scotland
2:25 – 2:55	Keynote address Television broadcaster Robert Peston will discuss the financial crisis, how deeply it has wounded the global economy and what the prospects are for major economies
2:55 – 3:10	Break
3:10 - 3:55	In conversation with Hugh Young and Devan Kaloo Anthony Hilton, author, broadcaster and journalist will chair
3:55 – 4:25	Risk-on / risk-off Daniel Enskat, Strategic Insight
4:25 – 4:45	Break
4:45 – 5:45	Economist panel Hosted by broadcaster Andrew Neil. Confirmed participants are Bob Janjuah, Nomura; Eamonn Butler, The Adam Smith Institute; Doug McWilliams, CEBR; Anne Applebaum, journalist and author, who will debate the major economic issues of the day
5:45	Close of conference



#### Conference dinner, Friday 31 August

7:15 – 8:00	Drinks reception
8:00	Dinner and entertainment
11:00	Carriages

#### The Braemar Gathering, Saturday 1 September

9:00	Coaches depart from the hotel
11:00	Arrive at Braemar
12:45	Buffet Lunch
4:30	Coaches depart for Aberdeen city
7:00	Buffet supper with the Gilberts or transport home

Note: depending on demand, coaches may be available to transport guests to Edinburgh airport for Saturday evening flights to London.