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NOTE CHANGE OF START TIME – ONE HOUR EARLIER THAN LAST YEAR!!

‘Showing Now, on a Display Near You!’

(this talk has been reinstated; the speaker is available, after all!)

Dr David Fyfe

Cambridge Display Technologies

Monday 29th October 2001, **7.30 p.m. - 9.00 p.m.**¹

The Wolfson Lecture Theatre, Churchill College, Cambridge

Abstract

Cambridge Display Technology was born of an accidental discovery in the Cavendish in 1989. It owns a very fundamental patent to the use of conjugated polymers for the emission of light. The company now owns over 100 patents in the field, has licensed the technology to five global major display makers and the technology is on the eve of commercial launch into cellphone and PDA display markets.

The talk will cover the history, the role of venture capital, the technology, show examples of it in action and detail the state of commercialisation.

About the Speaker

David Fyfe joined CDT as chief executive officer in August 2000.

David has a BA & MA from Cambridge University in Natural Sciences and a PhD for a dissertation in electrochemistry. He has chaired and taken part in a number of industry focused government bodies. He has chaired the UK Chemical Industries Association Business and Trade Board, was a member of the UK Department of Trade and Industry's deregulation taskforce for the chemical and pharmaceutical industries and Vice Chairman of the UK CBI Northern Region.

About the Subject (*Organising Secretary's notes*)

Lots of confusion surrounds this talk, I am afraid; David Fyfe was unexpectedly called away out of the country, and cancelled his talk. I installed the redoubtable Brian Ford, who kindly offered to help out. Then David's visit was cancelled, which means..... as you were!

So: this is the subject and the speaker as stated on our year card. Enjoy! (Brian's talk will be held in reserve against a rainy day)

Richard Freeman

Organising Secretary

¹**Note:** An experimental change of times for Michaelmas Term; we shall review at the end of Term

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