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Pensions Policy Institute announces Chris Curry as new Director

Following an open competition, Chris Curry has been appointed as the new Director of the Pensions Policy Institute (PPI). Chris is currently the PPI Research Director, a post he has held for 11 years, and he will succeed Niki Cleal when she steps-down from the role of PPI Director in June 2013.

Michael Pomery CVO, PPI Chairman of Council said:-

“Chris Curry emerged from a very thorough selection process as the outstanding candidate and PPI Council are confident that he has the vision and experience to lead the PPI, building on the success of his predecessors in the role.”

Chris Curry said:-

“I am delighted and extremely proud to be appointed as the next Director of the PPI. With the UK pension system currently in transition, the need for a sound evidence base is as strong as ever, and I look forward to leading the PPI as we continue to provide high quality and independent research and analysis.”

“The PPI has gone from strength to strength under Niki Cleal’s guidance, and I am confident that the PPI will continue to develop into the future.”

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Notes for editors

1. The Pensions Policy Institute (PPI) is an educational research charity, which provides non-political, independent comment and analysis on policy on pensions and retirement income provision in the UK. Its aim is to improve the information and understanding about pensions policy and retirement income provision through research and analysis, discussion and publication.
2. Chris Curry joined the PPI as Research Director in July 2002. Chris will take over from the current Director, Niki Cleal, after the PPI AGM on 5 June 2013. Before joining the PPI, Chris worked as a Senior Economist at the Association of British Insurers, and as an Economic Adviser in the Department for Social Security.
3. Niki Cleal was appointed as the Director of the Pensions Policy Institute in July 2006. Prior to working at the PPI, Niki worked for HM Treasury and the NHS Executive in a variety of economist and policy roles. Niki will retain an ongoing connection with the PPI as a Governor once she steps-down as Director.
4. PPI Governors are responsible for helping to preserve the independence of the PPI. A full list of the PPI's Governors is available on the PPI website at the following link:-
<http://www.pensionspolicyinstitute.org.uk/default.asp?p=32>