



Dear Old Members of Linacre College,

The meeting of the Italian Linacre Society will take place in Florence on **Saturday 10th October 2015**. We welcome non-Italian Old Members who happen to be in Italy and wish to join us.

We shall **meet** at 9.45 a.m. at the entrance of Palazzo Vecchio. Our programme will take us to the “Galleria degli Uffizi” with an English-speaking guide.

Around 13.00 we shall walk to a **trattoria** – “Osteria del porcellino” - for an aperitif and lunch.

Then we shall walk to the Hotel Brunelleschi, where two **debates** will be held, starting at 3.15 p.m.:

1. “The United Kingdom has no need of the European Union” – seconded by Giacomo Vaciago (1965), opposed by Nick Brown (Principal of Linacre College).
2. “The European Union has no need of the United Kingdom” – seconded by Carlo Mortara (1969), opposed by Patricia Springborg (1971).

All those present shall have a right to speak as members of the UK Parliament on the first motion and as members of the European Parliament on the second motion.

Votes will be taken at the end of each debate.

Once the debates are over, the Principal will update us on College’s events, and the Director of Development on Old Members activities. Hopefully there will be some time also to discuss the future of the Italian Linacre Society but in any event our programme will **end** at approximately 6.30 p.m. (Florence’s main railway station will be 10 minutes away).

Some Old Members have mentioned that they might wish to stay in Florence overnight. Therefore, we have selected a **conveniently located** and **conveniently priced** hotel: Strozzi Palace Hotel.

We ask those of you who wish to take part in our reunion to **reply soon** and to let us know if they will need hotel accommodation and for how many people (incidentally, spouses and partners are welcome at all our events).

Warm regards from,

Maurizio Lupoi and Sabrina Bruno  
(*President*)                      (*Vice-President*)

