



Prof. Oliver !DECEASED! Williamson

Nobel Prize Laureate in Economics 2009

"Oliver E. Williamson is one of the leading economic theorists of our time"

A globally respected economist, Professor Oliver Williamson is renowned for his theories on organisational governance, conflict resolution and transaction cost economics. He was awarded the Nobel Prize for Economics in 2009. Currently he is the Edgar F. Kaiser Professor Emeritus of Business, Economics and Law at the University of California.

TOPICS:

- A Unified Interpretation of Corporate Governance and Corporate Finance
- The Contractual Approach to Economic Organisation
- Debt and Equity as both Modes of Finance and Modes of Governance
- Confusions over Corporate Governance in Practice
- Aggregation and Systems Considerations

LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

PUBLICATIONS:

- 2013 The Transaction Cost Economics Project
- **1996** The Mechanisms of Governance
- 1991 The Nature of the Firm:
 Origins, Evolution, and
 Development (co-edited with
 Sidney Winter)
- **1985** The Economic Institutions of Capitalism
- 1975 Markets and Hierarchies: Analysis and Antitrust Implications

IN DETAIL:

Prof. Williamson received his Ph.D. from Carnegie Mellon University and held several professorships in business administration, economics and law at Pennsylvania and Yale University. Since 1998 he is teaching business, economics and law at the University of California, Berkley. In 2009, he was awarded the Nobel Prize in Economics for "his analysis of economic governance, especially the boundaries of the firm". Williamson provided a theory why some economic transactions take place within firms and others take place between firms and found that common ownership, in the form of firms, helps to solve some market failures by mitigating transaction costs and uncertainty.

WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Prof. Williamson has been instrumental in establishing economic governance as a field of research. His focus on the cost of transactions has led him to distinguish between repeated case-by-case bargaining on the one hand and relationship-specific contracts on the other. He is highly sought-after by government organisations and corporations eager to reap the benefits of his considerable expertise.

HOW HE PRESENTS:

Oliver E. Williamson is an engaging, enlightening and highly informative speaker with an unparalleled level of knowledge of today's economic markets.