



## Lord Ian Blair

Former Metropolitan Commissioner of Police

*A thinking man's policeman*

Lord Ian Blair of Boughton was appointed Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police just months before the 2005 terrorist attacks in London. His tenure as Britain's top police officer was marked by change and turmoil in the service at all levels. Ian's police career spanned 35 years and included several senior leadership positions.

### TOPICS:

- Business Leadership and Change Management
- Strategic Policing and Security
- The Future of Policing
- The Strategic Importance of Strong Leadership
- The Challenges of Policing
- Encouraging the Next Generation of Policing

### LANGUAGES:

He presents in English.

### PUBLICATIONS:

**2009** Policing Controversy

### IN DETAIL:

A career police officer with a spectacular service history he had originally joined the Metropolitan Police in 1974, under the High Potential Developer Scheme for Graduates. He worked his way up through the ranks receiving the Queen's Police Medal in 1999. He was knighted in the Queen's Birthday Honours of 2003. He gained a reputation as a 'thinking man's policeman' and led the call for a more diverse organisation, reflecting the community they had to serve. Since leaving the police service in 2008, Lord Blair is co-director of a training programme for senior police officers in India and is a visiting professor at universities in the UK and US. He addresses all aspects of leadership and culture, as well as change, organisation and crisis management.

### WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Lord Blair's presentations reflect on his personal leadership journey, the challenges of leadership, and on the impact of events and issues facing us today. His powerful message provides valuable insights into the job of leaders which he explains is to seek out, to encourage and to develop the next generation.

### HOW HE PRESENTS:

Lord Blair is a prominent and powerful speaker. He is a very engaging and high profile speaker who tailors to the audience he speaks to, be that business, the arts, political, government, media and more.