

# BBC's former economics editor speaks at seminar

A FORMER BBC journalist was in Guildford last week where she was invited to be the guest speaker at an

investment seminar for lawyers.

Hosted by HFS Milbourne, financial specialist Stephanie

Flanders, who is now and the chief market strategist for Europe at JP Morgan Asset Management, provided an

economic update and an overview of the current investment markets.

The former BBC economics editor has presented numerous television and radio programmes, including her own economics discussion show, *Stephanomics*, named after her influential blog.

Prior to joining the BBC in 2002, she worked as a reporter at the *New York Times*, a speechwriter and senior advisor to US treasury secretaries Robert Rubin and Lawrence Summers, a *Financial Times* leader-writer and columnist, and an economist at the Institute for Fiscal Studies and the London Business School.

During last Thursday's seminar, Ian Muirhead, chairman of SIEA, the trade body for solicitor financial advisers, discussed the impact of the convergence of legal and financial disciplines heralded by the Legal Services Act.

Iain Halket, chairman of HFS Milbourne's investment committee, reported on the company's strategic portfolio service.



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**Stephanie Flanders with Dan Church (incoming chairman of the Surrey Law Society) with HFS Melbourne joint managing directors Rod Milne and Colin Haydon-Cook.**