

Edinburgh solicitor appointed as SCDI chair

✖ Scottish Council for Development and Industry (SCDI) members have unanimously approved the appointment of Bill Drummond, Managing Partner of Brodies LLP, as the organisation's new Chair at the SCDI AGM in Edinburgh.

Brendan Dick, Managing Director of BT Regions and Director of BT Scotland, was approved as the organisation's Deputy Chair.

Bill Drummond brings a wealth of experience of civic Scotland to the organisation, having first joined the SCDI Board in 2004 and served at the top level of Scotland's legal profession for many years. Earlier this month, he was named UK Management Partner of the Year at the Legal Business Awards 2013. The award followed Bill's re-election by his Partners to serve a sixth consecutive three-year term as Managing Partner of Brodies – a post he has held since 1997.

Commenting on his appointment, Bill said: -“I am pleased to be taking over as Chair of SCDI at such an important time for Scotland. I hope that my experience and continuing work at Brodies advising a wide variety of businesses and organisations operating in Scotland, the rest of the UK and internationally will be of value to SCDI and its members.

“The economic climate and current constitutional debate will shape the future of Scotland for decades to come as it will for all our organisations, and I look forward to SCDI playing a pivotal role in informing and supporting Scotland's decision-makers on the actions needed to create long-term economic growth.”

Commenting on the appointments, SCDI Chief Executive, Professor Lesley Sawers said: -“I am delighted SCDI will benefit from the experience and knowledge of Bill Drummond and

Brendan Dick. They both bring considerable expertise to the organisation that will ensure SCDI continues to deliver against our core objective of sustainable economic growth for Scotland.”