

markets. Speakers included: **Dermot O'Brien**, chief economist NCB Stockbrokers and **Marie Hunt**, director of research at CB **Richard Ellis**. **Dr Constantia Gurdgiev**, editor of *Business & Finance*, MC'ed the proceedings.

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