

# DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD



## JEAN TOMLIN OBE

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Jean began her career as a graduate at Ford Motor Company working in Human Resources, training and labour relations. Following numerous roles in HR managing large transformation programmes Jean was appointed Operations and Sales Director for Prudential Direct. Jean was HR Director and a founding member of Egg plc and Group HR Director at Marks & Spencer plc.

Her non-executive roles have included serving on the Board of the Greenwich Healthcare Trust and the Student Loans Company. She has also been a Commissioner for Judicial Appointments, a member of the Qualifications and Curriculum Advisory Board, the Race Relations Advisory Group, and a Trustee of CIDA University in South Africa.

In 2006, Jean was appointed Director of HR, Workforce and Accreditation for the London Organising Committee of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. In this role she was accountable for the successful delivery of the Games Maker volunteer programme and oversaw a workforce which included 8,000 paid staff, 70,000 volunteers and more than 100,000 contractors.

In January 2013 she joined the Board of J Sainsbury plc. In addition to her overall Board contribution, Jean also chairs the Company's Corporate Responsibility Committee and sits on the Remuneration and Nomination Committees. In April 2013, Jean was appointed Independent Director on the Board of Michael Kors Holdings Limited. Jean is also Board Director of The Join In Trust, the organisation responsible for taking forward London 2012's volunteering legacy.

Jean received the CIPD's Outstanding Contribution Award for services to Human Resources practice in September 2012 and was awarded an OBE in the New Year's Honours list 2013 for her contribution to the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Born in London, married and mother of two children. Jean is a runner in her spare time and has completed the London Marathon. At Loughborough University she resided in Caley Hall and Falkner Eggington during her 3-year stay.

IN RECOGNITION OF HER OUTSTANDING  
CONTRIBUTION TO HUMAN RESOURCE  
MANAGEMENT AND HER COMMITMENT  
TO CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY