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## KEYNOTE LECTURE



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## "The Lessons of 30 Years of Law & Economics – and the Future"

Prof. Thomas S. Ulen received a bachelor's degree from Dartmouth College, a master's from St. Catherine's College, Oxford, and a Ph.D. in economics from Stanford University. He holds a Swanlund Chair (since 2010 Emeritus), one of the highest endowed titles on the Urbana-Champaign campus. In 2003-2010 he was director of the Illinois Program in Law and Economics. In addition, he is a research affiliate of the Environmental Council, a member of the Campus Honors faculty, and holds positions in the Department of Economics.

Recently, Prof. Ulen served as a visiting professor at University of Haifa and University of Maryland. Previously he held the foreign chair in international and comparative law at University of Ghent, has been a visiting professor in Germany and Slovenia, as well as served as a Ford Foundation Professor in Shanghai.

As a scholar, Prof. Ulen examines a variety of issues related to economics, legal scholarship, and legal education. He has recently completed work on the following books: Cognition, Rationality, and the Law (with R. Korobkin; forthcoming from University of Chicago Press), and Empirical Methods in Law (with R.M. Lawless and J.K. Robbennolt; 2010). His book Law and Economics (with R. Cooter), considered the best textbook in the field, now in its 6th edition, has been translated into Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, Korean, French, Russian, and Polish (1<sup>st</sup> edition 2009, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition 2011).

Prof. Ulen was a member of the founding board of directors of the American Law and Economics Association and has served as a member of the editorial board of several professional journals. He is also a co-organizer, with T. Ginsburg and R. McAdams, of the Midwest Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting at the College of Law.