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**BUCK HOSTS BUYOUT & RISK MANAGEMENT SEMINAR**

**LONDON:** 4 September 2008 – Buck Consultants (Buck), an ACS company and one of the world's leading human resource and benefit consulting firms, today announced details of its latest buyout seminar as part of its breakfast@buck series, titled 'Managing your risk'. Held at the Imperial War Museum in Duxford, Cambridgeshire, the seminar follows three successful events in London, Edinburgh and Manchester.

The market for selling pension schemes and buyouts has increased over the last year and is likely to evolve further in the next 12 months, prompted by companies wanting to reduce the burden of uncertain cost increases from changing legislation, stock market volatility and increased life expectancy. The seminar will focus on: the growth of the buyout market; the buyout process; and the range of options available to pension schemes wanting to offload, reduce or manage risk.

Ian Ellis, Principal at Buck, says: "Buck's annual Key Pension Issues survey identified that 33% of participants have considered selling or buying out their liabilities, but many have rejected these options. The seminar will provide an insight into the concepts as more employers and trustees look to manage the risk from their existing pension commitments."

As well as presentations from experts at Buck Consultants, the seminar will include a session with leading business lawyers Eversheds. Eversheds will offer ideas on the legal aspects of buyouts, including points for negotiation, potential conflicts between sponsors and trustees, and protection for trustees.

This complimentary seminar will take place in Duxford, Cambridgeshire on Tuesday 30 September. breakfast@buck is a regular cross-industry discussion forum, which meets to learn about and debate topical HR issues.

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**Notes to editors:**

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