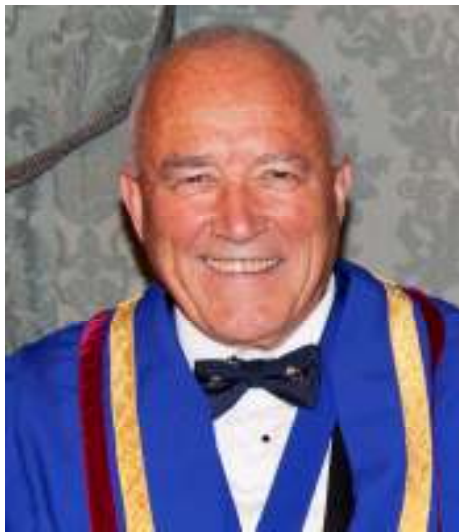


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Robert Woodthorpe Browne was brought up in Woodford, Essex, and attended St Ignatius' College, Stamford Hill. He then studied at the Universities of Poitiers, Barcelona and London (Birkbeck College) where he gained his BA Hons in Spanish. He is a proficient linguist.

His career has been in reinsurance, working both as broker and underwriter, including Membership of Lloyd's. Concentrating on the Third World he founded the African Insurance Conference when working in Mauritius. After 20 years concentrating on Africa and the Middle East, he switched to post Iron Curtain Central and Eastern Europe, eventually becoming a Consultant to major Russian insurance companies.

Involvement in politics included standing 6 times for Westminster and twice for the European Parliament. He is a member of the Bureau of Liberal International.

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