

DAVID BREW – CAREER HISTORY

Non-Executive Appointments

- 2015 - Appointed by Scottish Ministers to the **Board of Creative Scotland** (development agency for the arts, screen and creative industries). **Chair of Audit Committee.**
- 2013 - 2021 Appointed by the **Financial Reporting Council** as Advisory Panel member, advising on major UK public interest disciplinary cases involving alleged misconduct by accountants, auditors and actuaries.
- 2012 - 2020 Appointed by Ofcom to the **Board of MG ALBA** (Gaelic Media Service) which generates £15m worth of television programme content and co-sponsors BBC ALBA. **Chair of Audit and Assurance Committee.**
- 2012 - 2019 Appointed by the General Teaching Council for Scotland as lay **Convener/Member of GTCS Fitness to Teach Panels** handing cases of professional misconduct as well as teaching competence.
- 2012 - 2015 **Public Member of Network Rail**, calling main Board to account and reviewing achievement of commercial and other targets by £6bn turnover operator of UK rail infrastructure.
- 2012 - 2015 Member of the **Board of Robert Gordon University**, Aberdeen. **Vice-Chair of Audit Committee.**
- 2012 - 2023 **Trustee** of RGU Foundation raising charitable donations for the University.
- 2004 - 2011 Appointed by the UK Civil Aviation Authority to the **Air Transport Users' Council**, representing airline passengers' interests and handling consumer complaints.
- 2002 - 2003 Appointed by the Consultative Committee of Accountancy Bodies in the UK and Ireland as Technical Advisor on the **Board of the International Federation of Accountants**, New York
- 2001 - 2004 Independent Member of **Audit Committee of the Scottish Executive Enterprise and Lifelong Learning Department**, providing monitoring and assurance relating to propriety and regularity of £2.4bn of public expenditure.
- 1987 - 1991 Member of **Heriot-Watt University Research Park Management Board**. Appointed to **Heriot-Watt University Court** (governing body) in 1989 for 3 year term.
- 2000 - 2011 Rejoined governing body in 2000 on return to Scotland as CEO of Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland. Specialised in governance issues, audit and risk management. Invited to continue as lay member of Audit Committee from 2006 following completion of two 3-year terms on governing body.

Personal

I am bilingual in French and have a good mastery of a further half dozen European languages, including Scots Gaelic. I am well travelled, like good food, good wine and good company. I exercise regularly and enjoy music and film.

Employment

- 2004 - 2011 **Senior Civil Servant, Scottish Government**
Head of Fisheries, Marine Scotland (May 09 – Mar 11)
Executive Board Member of Marine Scotland, employing some 700 staff and delivering the integrated management of Scotland's seas (budget of some £70m). Negotiated UK fishing rights at EU level and chaired Scottish stakeholder management groups.
- Deputy Director, Rural Directorate** (Nov 06 – May 09)
Advised Scottish Ministers on rural policy, including service provision for rural communities throughout Scotland, crofters and crofting communities, the post office network, transport subsidies and affordable rural housing. Delivered European support for local social and economic development (LEADER).
- Head of Cultural Policy Division** (Jan 04 – Oct 06)
Managed £120m budget, with oversight of 6 Non-Departmental Public Bodies, 5 National Performing Companies and 2 independent Councils for Museums and Libraries. Conducted major review of National Cultural Strategy and governance structures. Promoted the development of Gaelic and other languages.
- 2000 - 2003 **Chief Executive & Secretary, Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland**
Chief Executive of professional accountancy body with 140 staff and £14m turnover, delivering postgraduate training of Scots CAs throughout UK and providing services to members. Secretary of Institute's Council, responsible for effective governance, policy development and accountability.
- 1990 - 2000 **Senior Civil Servant, UK Government**
Head of Devolution Team, Cabinet Office (Oct 98 – Jan 2000)
Secretary of 2 Cabinet Committees. Responsible for collective decision-making on devolution to Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.
- Head of Sea Fisheries Division, Scottish Office** (Apr 95 – Sept 98)
Head of European Funds Division, Scottish Office (Nov 91 – Apr 95)
Head of Electricity Privatisation Division, Scottish Office (Apr 90 – Oct 91)
- 1984 - 1990 **Principal (UG7), Technology Unit, Industry Department for Scotland, Glasgow**
- 1981 - 1984 **Administrator, European Commission, Brussels**
- 1979 - 1981 **Graduate Trainee and Policy Officer, Scottish Office, Edinburgh**

Education

- 1976 - 1979 **Collaborative Research** in Politics and Law **European University Institute, Florence**
Europa Kolleg, Hamburg
- 1975 - 1976 **MSc in Politics** **University of Strathclyde, Glasgow**
- 1974 - 1975 **President of Students' Association** **Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh**
- 1970 - 1974 **BA (1st Class Hons) in Languages** **Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh**
(Interpreting & Translating)
- 1964 - 1970 **'O', 'A' and 'S' levels** **Kettering Grammar School, Northants**