

Nick Winser



Nick is the UK Chief Executive Officer of National Grid plc and is also a Non Executive Director of Kier Group plc where he Chairs the Safety, Health and Environment Committee. Nick was appointed as a Director of Way Ahead Support Services, a local charity for the disabled in Warwickshire, in 2011 and has also held the rank of Major in the Engineer and Logistics Staff Corps (RE) V, providing advice to HM Forces and the Ministry of Defence, since 2011.

Nick joined the Board of National Grid in 2003 as Group Director responsible for UK and US transmission operations, previously holding the position of Chief Operating Officer of US Transmission since 2001. Nick joined National Grid in 1993 holding a number of managerial roles before become Director of Engineering in 2001. Nick originally started his career with the state owned Central Electricity Generating Board in 1983 undertaking a variety of technical and engineering posts including working at Heysham and Hinckley Point B nuclear power stations before working on the privatisation of the UK electricity industry in 1989 and, subsequently, joining PowerGen as a commercial negotiator in 1991.

In 2013, Nick was elected as President of the European Network of Transmission System Operators for Electricity and Vice President and Trustee to the Institution of Engineering and Technology Board of Trustees. He was elected as Chairman of CIGRE UK, the International Council of Large Electric Systems, in 2012 and Chairman of the Power Academy, an initiative set up to encourage people into engineering careers, in 2006.

Nick holds a BSc in Electrical Engineering and is a Fellow of The Royal Academy of Engineering, The Institution of Engineering and Technology, The Institution of Gas Engineers and Managers and The Energy Institute. In the 2014 New Year Honours Nick was awarded a CBE (Commander of the Order of the British Empire) for services to the UK Energy Industry.

Nick was born in the UK on 6 September 1960 and lives in Leamington Spa with his wife and three sons where, in his spare time, he enjoys cycling and reading and spending time with his family.

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