

Biographies for BPG AGM 2019

Included here are:

1. Peter Jenkins / 2. Dr Ian Crossland / 3. Dr Nick Ritchie

1. Peter Jenkins, CMG

Peter Jenkins joined the British Diplomatic Service in 1973, having graduated from Cambridge with a degree in Classical Philosophy, and having spent two years at the Harvard Graduate School for Arts and Sciences as a Harkness Fellow. His 33-year diplomatic career took him to Vienna (twice), Washington, Paris, Brasilia and Geneva.

In Washington he was Private Secretary to two Ambassadors in the early 1980's. In Paris he dealt with issues arising from the creation of a European single market. In Brasilia he was Deputy Head of Mission. In Geneva he was the UK's chief representative to the World Trade Organisation in the run-up to the launch of the Doha Round.

In 2001 he was made Ambassador to the International Atomic Energy Agency and other UN organisations at Vienna, where he had first served in the 1970's. There his primary focus was on the nuclear aspects of international peace and security, especially the Iranian nuclear issue.

He is now a member of The Ambassador Partnership, an international corporate diplomacy partnership, and a frequent contributor to policy debates on Iran's nuclear activities. From 2010 to 2012 he was an associate fellow of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy. Since 2017 he has been chairman of the British branch of the Pugwash movement.

2. Dr Ian Crossland

Ian Crossland has wide experience of civil nuclear power having worked in this field, both in the UK and elsewhere, for more than 50 years. His main professional interest is radioactive waste management especially in regard to the Chernobyl accident and its aftermath. He has sat on the Executive Committee of British Pugwash since 2009 and currently serves as Treasurer and manager of Student/ Young Pugwash.

3. Dr Nick Ritchie

Nick researches and teaches in the areas of international relations and international security at the University of York. His particular focus is on nuclear disarmament, proliferation and arms control and US and UK national security.

After completing his PhD thesis at the University of Bradford in 2007 on the evolution of US nuclear weapons policy after the Cold War, Nick spent four years researching and teaching

at Bradford's Department of Peace Studies before joining York in 2011. He previously worked for five years at the Oxford Research Group, an independent Non-Governmental Organisation working with policy-makers and independent experts on the challenges of global security and nuclear disarmament.