

Sir John Baker - Biography

Sir John Baker has had a career in both public and private sectors. An Arts Graduate from Oxford University, he spent ten years each dealing with transport policy and finance, and then with urban regeneration and social housing.

He moved into the energy sector in 1979 becoming Corporate Managing Director of the Central Electricity Generating Board. He led the management of the UK electricity privatisation and restructuring programme. He was Chief Executive of National Power PLC from 1990 when the Company was established, and Chairman from 1 April 1995 to the end of 1997. From 1995-1998 he was also Chairman of the World Energy Council.

He led Ofwat's Review of the 2004 Periodic Review process and served on Water UK's External Review Group before becoming a non-executive director at Ofwat. He is currently Chairman or non-Executive Director of a number of companies in shipping, energy, pharmaceuticals and financial services - as well as Chairman of a number of non-commercial organisations.