Biography: Stephen PERKINS

Stephen Perkins is the Head of the Joint Transport Research Centre of the OECD and the International Transport Forum.

The Forum is an International Governmental Organisation for Transport Ministers with 51 Member countries. It is part of the OECD family of organisations and has a secretariat located in Paris. It holds an annual Ministerial Forum in Leipzig where strategic challenges for transport are examined with leaders of industry and civic society.

The Joint Research Centre undertakes economic research in support of transport policy development. Its work underpins the activities of the Forum and facilitates policy dialogue and exchange of experience for transport research institutes and transport ministries. Its work covers all transport modes and most aspects of transport economics including regulation, competition, investment, pricing and taxation, safety, security, congestion and environmental protection.

Stephen's previous experience includes work on energy industry restructuring and regulation at the International Energy Agency, work on economic regulation for a major gas utility and consultancy on energy policy and environmental issues for government and industry.