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Pro-Chancellor and Chair of Council

Biography

Ed Smith CBE is the former Global Assurance COO and Strategy Chairman of PwC. He retired in 2007 from a highly successful 30 year career with PwC where he held many leading Board and top client roles in the UK and globally as a Senior Partner. He now enjoys a portfolio of Board roles in education, sport, thought leadership and sustainable development as well as a number of commercial interests.

He is Chairman of WWF-UK and a member of its International Board. He is Chair of British Universities & Colleges Sport, a Member of Council & Treasurer of Chatham House and Chair of the Student Loans Company. He is also a non-executive director of the Department for Transport where his focus is on major infrastructure and is a member of the UK Competition Commission. His most recent appointment is as a non-executive director and chair of the Audit Committee for NHS England which is leading the Government's reforms set out in the 2012 Health and Social Care Act.

Ed has been a member of Council since 2009 and Pro-Chancellor since 2010. He is Chair of the Membership Committee and currently serves on the Strategy, Planning and Resources Committee and Remuneration Committee.

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