

CV Paul Hohnen

A former Australian diplomat, Paul Hohnen is an international expert on sustainable development and international standards in the field of responsible business practices.

Hohnen has been closely involved with the most widely used global sustainability standards and initiatives, including the UN Global Compact, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI), as well as the emerging ISO 26000 Standard on Social Responsibility.

A popular conference moderator, he has chaired a range of high level ministerial, business and NGO forums, including for the Royal Institute for International Affairs (Chatham House), various UN agencies, and the EU.

Hohnen is a recognised thought leader in the area of sustainable development and related standards. He has played an active role on climate change since 1989 and was instrumental helping bring together financial, renewable energy and climate experts in the mid 1990s to advance the green economy. From 2000, he was active in developing the GRI, and was the organisation's first strategic director.

An Associate Fellow of Chatham House, his writings have appeared in the Financial Times, the International Herald Tribune, Ethical Corporation magazine and the OECD Observer.