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Skills

Proven Leadership, Former Deputy President of Global NGO, Experienced Board Director, & Trustee.

Presidential Candidate, Sport, Motorsports, Automotive & Sustainability Expert, Sport Diplomat, Commercial rights expert, International Lawyer, and governance expert.

Formulation of numerous high-level programs; leadership of Committees & Boards; Management of Global Organisation with 222 staff & 245 Members, with turnover of €291 million; global distribution of €23 Million grants: Practiced Public Speaker, Podcaster.

Education

London School of Economics:
Master's Degree in International Law and Politics (LLM.)
Bachelor of Law (LLB.)

Barrister – at – Law

Member of Middle Temple and
Lincolns Inn, Winston Churchill
Pupillage Prize Holder

Summary

Graham Stoker has held elected High Office, important Board positions and is an experienced Trustee. He was elected FIA Deputy President acting alongside FIA President and UN Special Envoy, Jean Todt. The FIA operates in 145 countries, has 245 member organisations, and represents 80 million motorists. It governs motor sport and F1, campaigns on safety, and promotes mobility. Graham has unparalleled high-level experience in motor sport and automotives, and in world sport governing bodies. He has pioneered social responsibility and sustainability, education and training, and the importance of the global motor sport industry. He is also an International Lawyer and expert in governance.

Professional history

12/2009 - 12/2021 FEDERATION INTERNATIONALE DE L'AUTOMOBILE, Paris and Geneva. High Level Role as FIA Deputy President for Sport.

2009 – 2021: FIA Deputy President elected for maximum 3 terms, responsible for motorsport in 145 countries.

2009 – 2021: Member FIA World Board, “The Senate.” Graham served 12 years on a high-level multinational world board including many nationalities and expertise including Royalty.

2006 – 2021: Member of the FIA World Motor Sport Council

2018 - FIA Environment and Sustainability Commission
Founder

2015 – Chairman of F1 Selection Panel (admitted Haas F1 Team)

2008 – 2009: President of the FIA Anti-Doping Committee

2003 – 2006: Member FIA International Court of Appeal, Paris

2003 – 2009: F1 Steward & Super License Holder

Graham Stoker has made it his life's work to develop motor sport worldwide and use it as a global platform to promote the sport and positive social change, with the promise of social responsibility, sustainability, and cooperation between nations. Graham has championed an industry with a total global value of € 159 Billion & 1.5 million jobs, delivering cutting-edge hi-tech engineering, Graham is also a Barrister and International Lawyer.

Positions & Affiliations

2009 – 2021 Deputy President of the FIA

2007 – 2009 Member of FIA World Motorsport Council representing the UK.

2009 - Present: Honorary Member of the UK Motorsport Council

2001 - 2009 Chairman UK Motorsport Council (President Prince Michael of Kent, GCVO,CD,KStJ.)

2001 - 2009 Member of the Board, Motor Sports Association

1995 - 2001 Chairman of Permanent Stewards to the British Touring Car Championship

1990 - 2001 Chairman Judicial Panel, Motorsport Council

Graham rose to run the UK Motorsport National Federation, securing the future of the British Grand Prix, Wales Rally GB, and other key events, developing the sport, and representing the 750 member organisations throughout the UK.

He was elected to the FIA World Motor Sport Council in 2007, and then elected as FIA Deputy President in 2009, the highest position in motorsport, and was re-elected for three terms to 2021.

He has extensive experience as Non-Executive Board Member and Chairman. He is a former member of the IOD.

Member of the Environmental Bar Association. Member of UK Parliamentary Bar. Member of the Bar Sports Law Group.

Graham has been in a leading position in motor sport for over 25 years and from 2009 until 2021 he has been Deputy President for Sport of the Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile, the FIA, the world governing body and ultimate owner of F1 based in Paris and Geneva, an NGO affiliated with the UN, and the IOC. This is the highest sporting governance position in world motor sport and Graham has been the longest serving Deputy President in the history of the Global Federation.

During Graham's three terms of office, he established a range of progressive programs including global sport development, and sustainability programs, and he attended and spoke at COP 26. He established Women in Sport programs, STEM education, inclusivity, and a human rights initiative "Purpose Driven", and worked with the UN to foster peace through sport. He established worldwide education and training programs, oversaw the organisation of annual Global Conference's, and Regional Conference's, and he has unique experience at the highest levels of World Sport, dealing with the IOC, Youth Olympic Games, Global Association of International Sport Federations and CAS, and holds a respected international reputation.

In the complex world of commercial rights Graham has been involved in the negotiation of five versions of the F1 "Concorde Agreement", together with the selection of new F1 Teams, and the multibillion-dollar sale of the commercial rights of F1 in 2006 and again in 2017. He was also involved in the "Spygate" hearings leading to the record 100 million dollar fine, ultimately used for sport development (BBC Sounds "Spygate: The scandal that shook F1 to its core")

The Pandemic

Graham returned from the Covid outbreak and cancelled 2020 Australian Grand Prix to grapple with the unprecedented impact of the Covid Pandemic on global motorsport. He established a solidarity program to support FIA members through the pandemic, with no national federation being lost, established regular focused web seminars and training, and with the help of the WHO set up an acclaimed return to motorsport plan. Graham travelled through the pandemic under an international sport leader exemption and covid passport. Motorsport was one of the first major sports to resume, and the protocols became best practice for other sport federations wishing to restart their sports.

Presidential Campaign

Graham also mounted a respected presidential campaign in 2021 for the FIA Presidency, presenting an acknowledged strong "Presidential List", gaining the support of the major motorsport countries such as Italy, France, Germany, Finland, Norway, Argentina, Mexico, Singapore, Japan, and the USA. Through the global campaign he gained high level experience of public relations, social media, TV interviews, podcasts, and political campaign strategy. He is an experienced world traveler having visited over 50 countries and has an established and active global contact list amongst world leaders.

NGO, Automotive, Motor Sport Industry & Motorsport Projects Delivered at FIA during term of office.

Governance.

Increase in Reserves from € 40 million, 2009 to €291 million 2021.
Increase in Revenues from € 46 million 2009 to € 115 million 2021.
Comprehensive review of Governing Statutes and internal regulations.

Review of International Sporting Code.

Liaised with WADA.

Set up the Ethics Committee.

Created Women in Motorsport, Volunteers & Officials, Disability & Accessibility, Environment & Sustainability, and e-sport Commissions.

Recruited and built a new motorsport team up from 90 to 222 staff, of 21 nationalities, 47% women.

Set up the new FIA championship logistics Centre.

Joined GAISF and the IOC Olympic Movement.

Attended Youth Olympic Games.

Created new FIA awards.

Motorsport Development.

Delivered Sport Grant program €22.7 million distributed to 131 countries.

Delivered major Annual Conference, and six annual regional congresses.

Produced development manual and toolkits.

Delivered Global Training Program.

Delivered race director and stewards training programs.

Championships.

2014 F1 hybrid engine, most efficient ICE hybrid.

2018 F1 Halo introduced.

F1 Cost Cap introduced.

Sale of F1 Commercial Rights.

Negotiation of new Concorde Agreements.

Single seater pathway from karting, F3, up to to F1.

WRC new promoter agreement 2012.

New Hybrid WRC engine funded and developed.

Rally star talent detection.

WEC, Le Mans 24 hours included in the World Endurance Championships

Introducing new WEC hypercars.

Created World Rally Cross.

Created Formula E world championship.

World touring cars and move to EV.

Dakar included in Cross Country World Championship.

Motorsport Games.

Drifting cup.

Created FIA e- sports.

Created FIA Cross Car.

Safety.

Licensed circuits.

Halo device mandated.

Virtual safety car.

In- ear earpiece accelerometer.

High speed camera on F1 cars.

World Accident Database.

Affordable impact data recorder.

Biometric gloves for F1 drivers.

New top tier F1 helmet.

Super licence points.

Three terms as Trustee of the FIA Foundation, London.

Former trustee of the British Motorsport Training Trust, and the RAC Foundation. Expert in UK Charity Law.

Member of the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House):

Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. FRGS

Member of the Royal Automobile Club:

Honorary Member of the Royal Irish Automobile Club:

Honorary Member of the British Automobile Racing Club.

School Governor Llandovery College. Wales.

Rally spectator safety using drones and AI.

Sustainability solutions.

Motorsport as a sustainable drive train hi-tech “laboratory”.
Delivering Energy Recovery, Hybrid, Electric, and Hydrogen
powertrains’.

Biofuels and e

Graham spoke at COP 26, Glasgow on motorsport and
sustainability.

Environmental accreditation.

Social Responsibility.

WADA Code and Anti-doping.

Race true.

Race against manipulation.

“Purpose Driven”, diversity, inclusion and human rights
programme.

Youth strategy and STEM education.

Women in Motorsport Commission.

F1 in Schools award.

Susie Wolf’s “Dare to be Different”.

Girls on Track. Rising Stars at Winfield Racing School, Le
Castellet, France.

Peace through Sport programs.

Rally Ireland cross border major sport event.

Rally Cyprus major sport e, running the rally across a UN corridor.

Trustee Positions

Graham has served the maximum three terms as **Trustee of the FIA Foundation in London, established with the \$360 Million funds from the sale of F1 Commercial Rights. The FIA Foundation is a lead NGO in the field of Road Safety and Motorsport Safety**, and Graham served alongside Lord George Robertson on an international Board. Graham is an expert in UK Charity Law as it impacts on NGO’s and UK Charities. Graham served as trustee of the British Motorsport Training Trust, and the RAC Foundation.

Legal Practice at UK Bar

Cornerstone Barristers | London - Barrister in practice
1982 – Present

Barrister in practice at Cornerstone Barristers, **London:**2-3
Gray's Inn Square, WC1R5JH. **Birmingham:** Edmund
House,12-22 New Hall Street, B3 3EW. **Cardiff:** Falcon
Drive, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff, CF10 4RU.

1990 – Present; Member of the UK Sports Dispute
Resolution Panel and experienced Sport Arbitrator. He has
resolved numerous cases including selection for Team
England at the Commonwealth Games, Premier League
football, skiing, and a range of other sports.

At the Bar, Graham has pursued a career specialising in
international, governmental, environmental, and commercial
law. He has appeared at numerous public inquiries, and in HM
Courts including the Court of Appeal, Privy Council, and
House of Lords. He is an expert in governmental and

administrative law, and dealing with local authorities, NGO's, Government Departments and politicians and ministers. Prior to taking up his international position in Geneva and Paris, his last case was the public examination of the Cross Rail Bill for the £15Billion Elizabeth Line, before a Committee of the House of Commons.

Public appointment

1998 – 2003; HM Judge, Immigration & Asylum dealing with International Political Asylum cases

UK Governing Body Leadership

MOTOR SPORTS ASSOCIATION (Motorsport UK)

2009- Present.

Honorary Member of the UK Motorsport Council

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1990 – 2001 Chairman Judicial Panel Motorsport Council

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