Joan MacNaughton

Joan MacNaughton has been an influential figure in the energy policy debate in a variety of roles.

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From 2007 to 2011, Joan led Alstom's policy department and spearheads the company's clean power advocacy: to advance clean, sustainable energy and reduce power generation CO2 emissions. She now acts as Global Adviser on Sustainable Policies for Alstom on a consultancy basis

Prior to joining Alstom, Joan played a key role in shaping UK energy policy. As Director General of Energy she led a major change programme and made a significant contribution to international energy policy, including overseeing the energy agenda during the UK Presidency of the EU and leading the work on the energy part of the climate change proposals agreed at the G8 Gleneagles Summit. From 2004 to 2006, she was elected Chair of the Governing Board of the International Energy Agency, helping redefine the IEA's strategy and leading the emergency response to the supply disruption caused by Hurricane Katrina.