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SPEAKER BIOGRAPHY

Donald Macrae’s first career was as a UK Civil Servant, working across nine Ministries over 32 years and ranked as a Director General. As a lawyer, he specialised in regulation and policy-making and was a leading advocate of Better Regulation.

In 2007, he went freelance as an international consultant on policy and regulation and built a successful portfolio of clients across 30 countries in five Continents, working mainly with the World Bank, OECD, EBRD, FAO and some multinational consultancies. Having been a maker of regulations in his first career, his second focussed on how to make regulations work in practice - known as "Regulatory Delivery". He is also Director of a business in the UK in the highly regulated gambling sector, so has experienced regulation from all angles.

In 2009, he became involved with UNECE Working Party 6 and was one of the founder members of their Expert Group on Risk Management in Regulatory Frameworks (GRM) and has been one of its Coordinators ever since.