Keynote Speaker Biography

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David Davies has a background in sustainable transport, road safety, public sector scrutiny, planning and research. He has worked in local government and transport consultancies, including five years at the Transport Research Lab. He was the managing editor of several planning and design guidelines commissioned by the Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation UK. In 2003 he moved to the Audit Commission, and subsequently to the UK Parliament House of Commons Transport Select Committee. He led inquiries into road safety, aviation strategy, HS2, national policy for ports and bus competition. He has been the Executive Director of PACTS since January 2013 and has emphasised its thought-leadership role. He is a member of various Department for Transport advisory committees including the Motorists Forum and Road Safety Delivery Group. He manages the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Transport Safety and advises MPs and Peers of all parties. He tries to play the role of critical friend to civil servants and ministers.