

Dr Stephen Brien

CV

2017- : Legatum Institute. Director of Policy

Senior member of executive, leading teams of researchers, chairing working groups

- Oversees the Institute's Policy Programmes
- Leads the Centre for Metrics and the development of Indexes
- Selected publications include *Global Prosperity index 2017/8/9*, *US Prosperity Index 2019*, *African Prosperity Report 2019/20*. *Global People Movements 2018*. *The Maker Generation (UK Adolescent Mental Health) 2018*.

2016- : Social Metrics Commission, Commissioner (Steering Group Member)

- Contributed to the development of a new proposed poverty measure for the UK

2015 – 2017: Ministry of Economy and Planning, Saudi Arabia, Senior Advisor

Advising cabinet minister directly, coordinating other advisors/officials across ministries

- Advised on the structure and key economic and social components of Vision 2030 and National Transformation Plan
- Worked with international experts to develop policies on trade and investment, economic diversification and business reforms, fiscal policy, social protection and energy policy
- Advised on the transformation of the Saudi General Authority for Statistics

2014 – 2015: Social Finance UK, Director

Member of management team, led multiple team engagements with local authorities

- Supported performance improvement within government and social enterprises – with particular emphasis on Children's Services
- Member of Executive Team for G8 Taskforce on Social Impact Investment
- Founder of Social Finance Digital Labs (member of Advisory Board 2015-2019)
- Publication: *New Insights Into Improving Outcomes for At-Risk Youth: The Newcastle Experience* (2016)

2013 –2014: UK Payments Council Richer Data Task Force

De-facto secretariat to the Task Force

- Leading exercise to establish Government and corporate requirements for enhancements of UK payments infrastructure to support benefit and tax processing, and RTI in particular

2010 – 2013: Department of Work and Pensions, Secondment / Expert Adviser to Sec of State.

- Supported the development of policies for reforming benefits, in particular Universal Credit
- Played a substantial role the DWP's engagement with the Treasury and Office for Budget Responsibility to secure the financial settlement for the reform programme.
- Worked in partnership with the senior officials delivering the Universal Credit programme

- Advised ministers on other, broader reform programmes and policies

2006-2011: Centre for Social Justice (part-time)

Led working group committees, set strategy for welfare policy development

- Board Member, 2008-2011, 2013-2019
- Chair of Economic Dependency Unit, 2006-2009
- Member of Policy Implementation Group 2009-2010

Publications:

- *2006 Breakdown Britain*: contributor
- *2007 Breakthrough Britain*: author of Welfare Reform section
- *2009 Dynamic Benefits*: provided the blueprint for Universal Credit
- *2011 Outcome-based Government*: demonstrated the benefits of more rigorous use of 'Social Return on Investment' in decision-making

1997- 2012: Oliver Wyman (formerly Mercer Management Consulting)

Leadership role within London office, responsible for multiple client relationships, led project teams to deliver client impact

- Lead member of firm's Consumer Products Practice 2007-12
- Head of London Office 2004-8
- Partner from 2003

Led engagements across public-sector, private equity and corporate clients in mass-consumer industries (Retail, Financial Services, Consumer Products, Leisure, Transport, Mobile telecoms) to help simultaneously improve their customer value proposition and economics. Established client relationships across UK, US, Canada, France, Germany, Belgium, Italy, Sweden, Finland, Spain.

Example UK public sector engagements

- Led the firm's team supporting Department for Transport and Treasury in taking Railtrack into administration, designing the new industry structure and the formation of Network Rail.
- Advised DfT on network economics of UK rail industry
- Advised HMT/DTI on aspects of Nuclear Industry

1990-1994: Oxford University Computing Laboratory, Research Officer

Full-time research post on two Science & Engineering Research Council (SERC) - funded research projects on the specification notation Z. These projects developed the ISO standardisation of the notation, and designed of tools and practices to support it use in industry and government.

Education

1985-1989: University College, Dublin: B.Sc.(Computer Science, Mathematics)

1989-1997: Christ Church, Oxford: M.Sc.(Computation), D.Phil.(Computation), M.A.(Law)

Personal

- Married, one son
- Interests include: Travel, classical music, opera, theatre, cycling, skiing, hill walking

Candidate Declaration

I am a member of the Social Metrics Commission, a non-partisan body that has promoted a revised poverty measure – and have been engaging with DWP/HMT/ONS officials and supporting them in their consideration of how to adopt it as an Experimental Statistic.

Terms of Appointment

The successful candidate must have the capacity to devote an average of five days per month to the Committee. While this can be arranged flexibly, the Committee's induction arrangements will require more time to be committed to the role initially.

The remuneration for this post is set at £22,000 per annum, based on a time commitment of around five days each month for five years. There is no bonus or pension.

Pro Forma

Campaign Launch Date	04 May 2020
Campaign Closing Date	01 June 2020
Reason for any changes in timetable to that originally published	
Advertising strategy	(note any additional advertising strategy undertaken)
Advisory Assessment Panel	Panel Chair: Pete Searle, DWP Strategy Director for Private Pensions and ALB Partnership IPM/SIPM: Rosie Varley, former OCPA appointed Public Appointments Assessor. Other Members: (including name, position and organisation) Tammy Fevrier, DWP Partnership Division Dr Jim McCormick, SSAC Member

Number of applicants	12
Number of candidates invited to interview	6
Number of candidates found appointable	3

Diversity data**Table A: Gender**

	Percent Male 45%	Percent Female 55%	Percent Identify another way 0%	Percent Not declared 5%
Shortlist (applicants invited to interview)	Percent Male 33%	Percent Female 66%	Percent Identify another way 0%	Percent Not declared 0%

Table B: Ethnicity

	Percent White 82%	Percent Ethnic minority 18%	Percent Not declared 0%
Shortlist (applicants invited to interview)	Percent White 83%	Percent Ethnic Minority 17%	Percent Not declared 0%

Table C: Disability

	Disabled 17%	Not Disabled 83%	Not declared 0%
Shortlist (applicants invited to interview)	Disabled 0%	Not Disabled 100%	Not declared 0%