

Lord Carnwath was a Justice of the UK Supreme Court from April 2012 until his recent retirement in March 2020. Prior to that he was a Lord Justice of Appeal from September 2001, having been a Judge of the High Court, Chancery Division, from 1994. He was Chairman of the Law Commission for England and Wales from February 1999 until July 2002. In July 2004 he was nominated as “Shadow” Senior President of Tribunals, to provide judicial leadership in the reform of the UK Tribunal system. In November 2007 he was appointed as the first statutory Senior President of Tribunals under the Tribunals, Courts and Enforcement Act 2007. Internationally, in 2004 he was a founding member, and first Secretary-General, of the European Union Forum of Judges for the Environment (EUFJE). He has been joint chairman of the judicial advisory committee for the UNEP handbook on environmental law and a member of the UNEP International Advisory Council on Environmental Justice.

Tom Burke is the Chairman of E3G, Third Generation Environmentalism, and a Visiting Professor at both Imperial and University Colleges, London. He is a Senior Associate at the Cambridge Institute for Sustainability Leadership. He is Chairman of the China Dialogue Trust and a Trustee of Black-E Community Arts Project, Liverpool. He was Environmental Policy Advisor to Rio Tinto plc (part time) 1996 -2016 and served as Senior Advisor to the Foreign Secretary’s Special Representative on Climate Change from 2006-12. He was an environmental advisor (part time) to BP plc from 1997-2001. He was appointed by the Secretary of State for Northern Ireland to chair an Independent Review of Environmental Governance in Northern Ireland from 2006-7. He was a member of the Council of English Nature, the statutory advisor to the British Government on biodiversity from 1999-2005. During 2002 he served as an advisor to the Central Policy Group in the Deputy Prime Minister’s Office. He was Special Adviser to three Secretaries of State for the Environment from 1991-97 after serving as Director of the Green Alliance from 1982-1991. In 2010 he was elected an Honorary Fellow of the Society for the Environment. He is a Patron of the UKELA and Chairman of the Advisory Council of Earth Capital Partners and a member of the Advisory Board of Glenmont LLP. In 1997, he was appointed CBE for services to the environment.