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Peter Blair-Fish has forty years' professional experience of Engineering, Procurement and Construction for oil and gas, railways, marine works and buildings. He has worked in Australia, France, India, Libya, Norway, Oman and the United Arab Emirates, as well the UK.

After a first degree in Engineering Science and a PhD in soil mechanics, he spent five and half years on design and construction of desert roads, a prestige building on a sand dune, workshops, breakwaters and a large marine cofferdam.

He then worked mostly on oil and gas projects for thirty three years, rising to senior project manager. He managed the design and installation engineering of several large steel offshore structures in the North Sea in water depths of up to 186 metres.

He has also worked on the management of railway projects including the Eurostar terminus at Waterloo and several projects to refurbish stations, install lifts and improve communications for London Underground.

His most recent projects include the management of engineering for part of an alumina refinery in Guinea, part of a large gas to liquids project in Qatar, and for a storage and loading facility for liquefied natural gas in arctic Russia.

Since retirement, he has worked as a consultant in oil, gas and renewable energy. Assignments have included concept and safety studies for offshore substations, peer review of structural re-assessment of offshore platforms, logistics studies and bid reviews for port facilities in the South Atlantic, and optimisation of foundations for major equipment for a gas pipeline in Georgia.

Peter has served the Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE) as a professional reviewer, member of Council, and as chairman of its Maritime Board, the Offshore Engineering Society, and ICE Chilterns. He has appeared at a planning enquiry as a transport adviser. He was President of the British Section of Ingénieurs et Scientifiques de France in 2015.

He is a keen cyclist, member of the Thames Hare & Hounds running club, and completed the ascent of the Munros (distinct 3,000ft peaks in Scotland) in 2016. As a postgraduate student he won two oars on the river Cam. On a cross-country skiing holiday in Norway, he met Diana, to whom he has been happily married since 1986.

He has been a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Engineers since 1996 and was elected to the Court of Assistants in 2007, Junior Warden in 2018, Middle Warden in 2019, Senior Warden in 2020. On 16 March 2021 he was elected to be the Master Engineer and was installed in office on 5 May 2021.