GARY SHARKEY

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A dual US/UK citizen, I have more than 25 years' experience advising public and private clients in 40+ countries on climate change, resource scarcity, urbanisation, technological development, and other megatrends. I have deep experience in project, programme and business leadership, governance, stakeholder management, and financial and impact reporting.

I've worked with several high-profile international initiatives to help build consensus around the challenges the world is facing and how to surmount them. My master's is from Johns Hopkins in Energy, Environment, Science and Technology Policy and my undergraduate degree from Stanford in International Relations. I've held teaching and research positions at SciencesPo in Paris, KAIST in Seoul and at Putian University in Fujian, China.

EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE PWC GLOBAL

Founder - Sustainability Academy - Helping all partners and staff address ESG in their work 2020-2025

- Governance, stakeholder and programme management, learning and development
- Courses and programs to upskill staff and clients by industry, function & grade
- Key achievements: 198K+ employees across 135 countries educated in FY24

Global Product Lead - Climate Solutions - Ensuring consistency and quality in global delivery 2022-2024

- Net zero transformation, climate risk and resilience, supply chain decarbonisation
- Marketing, business development, sales, delivery, technology enablement, training
- Key achievements: Pipeline management and activation (~\$900M), business development

Proposition Lead - PwC UK Smart Cities - Leading PwC UK's smart cities client proposition

- Strategy and economics, government and public sector, real estate, technology
- Competitive intelligence, analyst relations, business strategy
- Key achievements: Major projects in London, Belfast, Athens, NEOM | Annual revenues £2M+

Co-leader - Global Smart Cities Network - Practice development for smart city opportunities 2018-2020

2020-2022

- Built community of practice across 30 territories
- Market intelligence, Business planning, thought leadership, alliance partnerships
- Key achievements: Grew global business from \$50M to over \$200M in 2 years

Programme Lead - Priority Cities Programme – Meeting profit and purpose objectives in cities 2017-2018

- Market strategy, governance, knowledge management
- Corporate responsibility and community relations
- Key achievements: Established city strategies in 10+ global cities across 6 continents

Leader - Global Water Network - Leading PwC's global network of practice around water issues 2011-2015

- Floods, droughts and water pollution, climate risk and resilience
- Service and product development, water valuation, thought leadership
- Key achievements: Established water practices in 12 territories | Major projects with UN, WBCSD

Network Driver - Global Sustainability Network – Scaling PwC's global sustainability business 2009-2018

- Growth strategy, delivery model, market development, marketing, partnerships
- Resource planning, leadership development, team coaching and development
- Key achievements: Drove practice across 60+ territories | Annual revenues grew from \$50M to \$2B+

Please see LinkedIn for details roles in the US, China and Korea before my move to the UK in 2009

PARALLEL CAREER – HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Biomechanics Coach, Freelance	2022-present
Founder, Sharkey and Friends CIC	2018-present
Yoga Teacher: Hatha, Vinyasa, Ashtanga, Pranayama, Meditation	2015-present
Parkour Coach, Freelance, Beijing/Washington DC/London	2004-2012
Wushu Coach, Putian University (Fujian), Freelance	2002-present
Ice Skating Coach, Freelance	1995-2001

SELECTED NON-EXECUTIVE EXPERIENCE

Chairman / Committee Chair / Trustee - London School of Mosaic

2013-2025

- Mentor to founder, leadership of board initiatives, oversight of management
- Strategy, governance, resourcing, investment, legal and risk management, financial controls, reporting

Mentor - Smart Cities and Smart Mobility Accelerators - Techstars

2020-2023

- Business strategy, public-private and multistakeholder partnerships
- Data management, analytics and reporting

Growth Adviser – IseeChange

2018-2021

- Mentor to CEO and leadership team of climatetech / citizen science startup
- Business model, route to market, investor pitching and preparation

Co-chair - Habitat III Business Stakeholder Group

2015-2017

- Led business input to UN Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development
- Policy negotiation, consortium management, major events planning

Mentor - Ignite Incubator - Stanford Graduate School of Business

2014-2019

- Demand analysis, market sizing, business model development
- Investment strategy and business development

Water Leadership Group - World Business Council for Sustainable Development

2010-2014

- PwC representative to leadership group alongside Veolia, P&G, CH2M, Dow and Shell
- Advocacy and market development, project governance and oversight

EDUCATION

Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)

2004-2006

MA: Energy, Environment, Science & Technology | Student Body Vice President

Stanford University

1997-2001

BA Honours, International Relations | President's Scholar

LANGUAGES

Basic proficiency:

Native: Professional working proficiency: Limited working proficiency: English Spanish, Mandarin French, German, Italian, Korean Portuguese, Hindi, Russian