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Adrian joined the NDA in October 2005 from British Nuclear Fuels where he had a number of roles in technical, strategic and commercial areas in the UK and US, including setting up the NDA and the associated re-structuring of BNFL.

In February 2021, following his role as Group Director for Strategy and Technology, Adrian took on a dual role as Chief Nuclear Advisor for BEIS and Chief Scientist Officer for NDA.

In his current capacity, Adrian provides input to UK government on key aspects of the UK's nuclear strategy and leads NDA representation on a number of nuclear fora and with academia, while also being responsible for NDA international strategy.

He joined the nuclear industry in R&D at Sellafield. His subsequent career, all in the nuclear sector, has included strategic roles in R&D and technology; project delivery; commercial and finance both in the UK and the US. Adrian has a PhD in mathematics and is a Chartered Mathematician.

He was appointed to the Order of the British Empire (OBE) in the New Year Honours list in 2017, in recognition of his services to the UK nuclear industry in Japan.