

Graham Love

Principal



Areas of Focus:

- Strategic advice on mergers, acquisitions and private equity investments
- Science and technology research, development, testing and evaluation
- Technology transfer across government and private sectors

Selected Professional Experience

- Chief Executive Officer, QinetiQ (2005 – 2009)
- Chief Financial Officer, QinetiQ (2001 – 2005)
- Chief Executive Officer, Comax Secure Business Services (1996 - 1999)
- Finance Director, UK Defence Research Agency (1992 – 1996)

Graham Love retired as Group Chief Executive of QinetiQ in November 2009 after a career with the company and its predecessor organisations spanning nearly 20 years, and including 2 privatisations, 2 highly successful private equity partnerships, and an IPO which saw the UK's previously government owned defence research agencies transformed into a major international company listed in the FTSE 250.

Mr. Love became Chief Executive Officer of QinetiQ in 2005. Prior to that he was Chief Financial Officer, and was also responsible for QinetiQ's North American operations, leading a targeted acquisition programme to create a substantial platform in the US defence and security markets.

Mr. Love's career has included management roles with Ernst & Young, KPMG and Shandwick plc, as well as several years in international consulting. In the late eighties he was part of the senior management team that made Shandwick plc the world's number one PR group through a major acquisition programme involving the purchase of over 30 public relations agencies worldwide. In 1992, Mr. Love joined the UK Government's Defence Research Agency as Finance Director and continued in the role when the agency expanded into DERA. In 1996 he led the management team in a private equity backed buyout of Comax, a support services company which was subsequently sold to Amey plc. Mr. Love rejoined DERA as CFO in 2001, playing a leading role in the formation of QinetiQ, the sale of a controlling interest to the Carlyle Group in 2003, and the IPO in 2006.

Mr. Love graduated from Cambridge University with an English degree. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and a Companion of the Chartered Management Institute UK. He is also a Fellow of the Royal Aeronautical Society.

Mr. Love takes a strong personal interest in the promotion of science and engineering careers amongst young people, and is a board member of both STEMNET and SEMTA.

Mr. Love is also Chairman of Racing Green Cars, a high performance sports car specialist based in Hampshire, UK, and races classic cars as a hobby.