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Professional Background:

Alastair Newton has been Senior Political Analyst at Nomura International plc since October 2008, having first joined Lehman Brothers International in that capacity in August 2005. As such, he is responsible for identifying, tracking and analysing political events worldwide which are likely to impact on financial markets.

Prior to joining Lehman Brothers, Alastair spent 20 years as a career diplomat with the British Diplomatic Service. He served in sub-Saharan Africa, Paris (at the OECD) and the United States. In London, he worked in intelligence co-ordination (including during the 1990/91 Gulf War), policy planning and economic relations, as well as running the Prime Minister's G7/8 team from 1998 to 2000. He was on secondment from the Diplomatic Service to Lehman Brothers from 2000 to 2002.

In addition to his work at Nomura, Alastair is an active participant in Track 2 discussions aimed at enhancing economic and political stability across the MENA region.

Memberships:

- World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on the Future of the Middle East
- African Development Corporation's Advisory Board
- Beetle Capital Partner's Advisory Panel
- Lisbon Council's Climate Change Action Group
- Practitioners' Advisory Board of the journal Global Policy
- Advisory Board to Bournemouth University Business School

Publications:

In addition to his signature periodical *Issues Which Keep Me Awake at Night* on political and geopolitical risk, he is the co-author of major studies on China and on India, as well as numerous shorter papers. A selection of his published papers may be found at www.alastairnewton.com. He is also a frequent commentator on current politics on television and radio and a regular speaker at conferences and other events worldwide.