

Profile



Gavin Roser is Secretary General of the European Freight and Logistics Leaders Forum (F&L). He is also Managing Director of Pantrak Transportation Limited – a project management & consultancy firm dealing with all aspects marine transport, rail and road freight on a Pan European basis. He is Chairman & Co Founder of the Coastlink Shipping Network and a Director of TruckTrain Knowhow Ltd, a joint venture developing new rail solutions for the carriage of freight. **Former partner with nine European Universities in the Northern Maritime University a 3 year European Interreg 1VB programme.** Previous Board appointments with the Denholm Shipping Group of Companies & Chairman of a joint venture in the Falklands. Overseas assignments in Iran and New Zealand the latter involving the privatisation of the National Shipping Line. Management of European Rail business (CP Ships) and General Management positions with subsidiary of the BAA (subsequently acquired by Securicor). Former Vice Consul for Norway in Glasgow. Extensive speaking engagements at European Transport Forums. Member Tactran Transport Partnership appointed by Minister of Transport – Scotland 2007 – present.

Position:	Company Director
Year of birth:	1946
Nationality:	British
Language:	English – mother tongue
Qualifications:	Chartered Fellow of Institute of Personnel Development {FCIPD} Certificate in Nautical studies – School of Navigation Glasgow

Appointments

2002 – present	Pantrak Transportation Limited www.pantrak.com
2004 – present	Coastlink www.coastlink.co.uk
(June 2010 - present)	European Freight & Logistics Leaders Forum Brussels. www.EuropeanFreightLeaders.eu
2004 – present	Management Committee Member
1999 – 2001	CP Ships (Contship Overland)
	General Manager
	Contship Container Lines
	Committee Member
1991 – 1999	Securicor/Scottish Express (BAA)
	General Manager
	Europe/Quality
1974 – 1991	Denholm Group
	Managing Director
	Vice President
	Marketing Director
	Ship Management Division Advisor to New Zealand Government on the privatisation of the National Shipping Line Advisor to National Shipping Line of Iran on ship management & HR planning {2 years} Chairman of JV in the Falklands – development of the fishery and maritime support. 7 years in manufacturing with Polaroid & Sybron Corporation
1999-2002	Director Railfreight Group

Selected Projects - Pantrak

- Welsh Assembly Govt: Short sea shipping study
- **Scottish Government:** 2009 Ferry review - focus on freight aspects
- **Babcock Rosyth:** Major container port development Scotland – NPF project
- **Argyll & Bute Council:** Scoping project for extending marine facilities to handle timber.
- **InterTradeIreland:** stakeholder interviews that contributed to Freight Transport Report for the Island economy 2020
- **Scottish Executive:** Stakeholder interviews that contributed to Freight Action Plan
- **Freight Leaders:** Chairman 11 country working group to determine location of intermodal hubs in Europe 2015
- **Orkney:** Chaired Transport Conference inter island ferries
- **Scottish Enterprise Fife:** Economic Impact and Land-Bridge studies in the context of the RoRo service from Rosyth to Zeebrugge
- **Perth & Kinross Council:** Port of Perth scoping study for developing the port
- **Coastlink Network:** “Dublin Declaration” on modal change, congestion and expansion of maritime services.
- **Geest North Sea Line Rotterdam:** {now Samskip} UK coastal feeder project to determine scope for expanding services

Key Skills in Transport Sector Covering all Modes by Road, Rail Air and Sea on World Wide Basis

- Project /Supply chain management
 - Strategic planning - transport
 - Management Development
 - Speaking engagements /lecturers
 - Conference Chairmanship
 - Business development
 - Lateral vision
 - Knowing what question to ask in project stakeholder interviews
 - Bringing disparate groups together towards common goals
 - Reasonable grasp of geography
 - Legislative aspects appropriate to transport sector
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Highlights From Experience in Maritime Sector

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| Contship
Container Lines: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maximise use of short sea in European intermodal system• Container repositioning from supply to demand areas given the imbalance of intra regional trade within Europe• Award of IFW “European Rail Operator of the year for innovation in intermodal transfer |
| Denholm
Shipping Group: | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Development of a ship management joint venture in Norway• Building the business base in Canada• Presentations to the Government of Malta• Successful privatisation of the National Shipping Line in New Zealand followed a period of intense and complex industrial relations. Significant dealings with Ministers. Reduced vessel operating costs by 50%• Creation of UK Ship Agency Network and joint ventures within Europe and USA• Introduction of structured job rotation to broaden skill base of team in all ship categories• Attraction of major cruise liners to Scotland, unusual at that time• Development & Chairman of Joint Venture in the Falklands to develop the fishery and maritime support. Four Companies Denholm, Fishers of Barrow, Curnow Shipping & Turner Diesels. Significant exposure to the FCO/MOD and Ministers• Introduction of ship management structures in Iran where the culture and sense of priorities were very different from the West |
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