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Chairman of the European Fusion Science and Technology Advisory Committee (1999-2004). Member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the Max-Planck Institute for Plasma Physics (2002-2008) and of the United Kingdom Engineering and Research Council Fusion Advisory Board (2004-2012) among other international advisory groups.

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