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Chris Smith is director of his own consultancy business (Chris Smith Aviation Consultancy Limited). He has worked in the air transport industry for his entire professional career since graduating from Oxford. He gained his PhD for research on the development of Birmingham Airport and its relationship with local commerce and industry. During his career, he has advised airport operators, airlines, air traffic management organisations, other government agencies and private sector investors throughout the world on all aspects of the industry. Many of his assignments have been in relation to the involvement of the private sector in airport infrastructure, in airlines and in air navigation service providers. He has had a significant involvement in policy issues including work for the European Commission on state aid, ground handling and airport slots.