

Patrick Emek was born in Dublin, Republic of Ireland in 1955.

He was educated at the Convent Of the Holy Faith Primary School, Clarendon Street, and at the Catholic University School, also in Dublin.

He obtained a matriculation certificate which subjects included Physics and English, from Trinity College Dublin, at the age of 15.

He came to London in 1971 and studied Psychology and Anthropology at Goldsmiths College, University of London.

He has worked in Britain as a Civil Servant serving in the Department of Health (Committee for The Safety of Medicines, New Covent Garden), The Department of Health (Russell Square, London) and other specialist Government scientific Departments including one based at Chapel House, Chapel Street, which at that time was the London headquarters of Britain's Nuclear Inspectorate and specialist teams which dealt with safety and security issues for North Sea oil rigs.

He has worked for the former Mayor of London, Mr Ken Livingstone, as Personal Assistant, and also with a former Government Minister.

Mr Emek has written books on aerospace and defence technology and contributes articles to scientific and economic journals on a range of issues.

He has also written books on military intelligence, terrorism in Indonesia, on Islamic insurgency and conflict in the Southern Philippines and a book about the Islamic Caliphate in Iraq and Sham.

He was a freelance research consultant to the Wolters Kluwer Group and has written several reports for the Credit Management Journal 'Croners'.

For nearly two decades Mr Emek worked in a voluntary capacity with The European Atlantic Group – working directly with Mr Justin Glass - the EAG's Director.

He is an elected Fellow of The Royal Society Of Arts and a Fellow of The Royal Asiatic Society.

He is a retired Fellow of The Atlantic Council Of The United Kingdom (ACUK) (NATO) and of The Chartered Institute Of Journalists (CIoJ) where he served as Secretary of The Freelance Division for a number of years.

Mr Emek also served as Governor of 'Atlantic 2000' and was an ACUK delegate at international conferences for almost a decade.

During The Balkans crises, on behalf of The Atlantic Council, Mr Emek explained NATO's position to undergraduates, graduates and to faculty members at University debates.

He also served for several years on the editorial board of 'The European Review.'

He is not active in politics but was requested on one occasion to act as a 'clearing house' for a Reception given by Chelsea and Westminster Conservative Association for Mr Yury Fedotov, Russian Ambassador to The United Kingdom, 'at a time of better relations with Russia than those existing today.'