



Helen Tarnoy

Managing Director - Aldwych International Ltd

Helen is joint founder of Aldwych International, along with Mark Fitzpatrick. Helen co-led the arrangement of the original financing for the company and its re-financing in February 2009. During her time at Aldwych, Helen has led the acquisition of a stake in CEC, the private Zambian transmission business, where she became Deputy Chairman, and co-led the acquisition of the 600MW Kelvin power plant in Johannesburg. Along with leading Aldwych's early business development work, she also supported the development, financing and construction of the 90MW Rabai IPP in Kenya, which went into commercial operation in May 2010. Helen started her time with Aldwych as the Commercial Director and became Managing Director in 2010. She is responsible for Aldwych's membership of the Power Africa Initiative, within which Aldwych has committed to develop, finance, construct and operate almost 1200MW of new generation capacity in sub-Saharan Africa.

Helen joined The AES Corporation in 1997 as Senior Project Director, working on projects in Central and Eastern Europe, especially Hungary. She subsequently led the successful development of the USD 400m Songo-Songo gas-to-power project in Tanzania, as well as working on the acquisition by AES of the Kelvin power plant and of the Ebute 260MW barge-mounted gas-fired power plant in Nigeria. Between 2002 and 2004 Helen was CEO of AES-SONEL, the national power company of Cameroon, with responsibility for a budget of around USD 150m, 500,000 customers and a workforce of 4000 people. In late 2003, under Helen's leadership, the company successfully completed the project financing of a much-needed new 85MW thermal power plant. Helen is a graduate of Oxford University with a BA and an MA in Modern Languages.