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Henry Strage was a former senior director of McKinsey & Company. During his 30 years of active service, he directed major studies for global enterprises in the pharmaceutical, engineering, energy, chemical, financial, high technology, and electronics industries. His assignments involved work on a broad range of top management problems while concentrating on international strategy, marketing, global management, industrial restructuring, and cross-border mergers and acquisitions.

In addition to assignments in the private sector, he directed studies in the public sector at the local, regional, national, and international level. He completed assignments in the fields of national economic development, healthcare policy, education, transport, disaster relief, local government, and social welfare in the UK, Switzerland, France, Germany, Israel, Ireland, Africa, and South East Asia. In addition to having worked for the UNDP, UN Narcotics Program, and the World Food Program, he worked with the European Economic Community and the UK Prime Minister's Think Tank.

He served the UK Government as the first chairman of the National Economic Development Organization's Food and Drink Manufacturing Sector. He helped found the International Association of Gifted Children and the Major Projects Association at Oxford University. He was one of the original founders of the Jerusalem Institute of Management; he taught in their advanced management program for many years and served for 15 years as chair of the UK-Israel Project Renewal Program.

Strage continued his professional career in a wide range of international and national activities. He was a professor of strategic studies at a European business school and taught and lectured at several other leading business schools in Europe and the United States as well as in Israel, Russia, and Slovak Republic. He served on the Dean's Advisory Board to two major US universities. In 1992 after the end of the Decade of the Disabled, he helped establish the International Disability Foundation headquartered in Geneva and went on to serve as its first chairman under the leadership of former UN Secretary General Perez de Cueller.

He was also a non-executive director of a major Israeli chemical company. He provided independent management consulting advice to companies in Europe and the United States. He was a trustee to several international charitable organizations and served as chairman of an active family foundation.

Strage earned a BS in chemical engineering from WPI and an MBA from Columbia University; he received a PhD (Hon.) from WPI in 2011.

In addition to numerous published articles, guest lectures, and an appearance on BBC World Service, he has written a well-reviewed business book, *Management Milestones*, published by Blackwell's, two poetry books, *I Loathe Surprises* and *Three Decades plus Two* and an extensive family history, *Two Ceramic Horses on a Cracked Base*.