

**Gary Deakin CBE – Managing Director (UK)
GardaWorld**

Gary took over from Andrew Farquhar in GardaWorld's Critical Infrastructure and Government Services (CI&GS) Division in December 2022 after a full career in the British Army ending as Chief of Staff of NATO Joint Force Command Naples responsible for the planning and conduct of NATO operations across Europe, North Africa, and the Middle East. This was followed by a year earning his commercial spurs successfully scaling up a hydrogen company in Scotland as their Chief of Transformation before landing in his current role.



Gary leads GardaWorld's diplomatic, development and defence (3Ds) lines of effort across Eastern Europe, Africa, and the Middle East with a major focus on contracts across G7, NATO and EU Nations in Ukraine, Libya, Somalia, Iraq, and Afghanistan. He also leads on customer relationship management for major commercial clients based in London and operating across the regions.

He oversees GardaWorld's crisis management processes and its Oversight Board ensuring assurance, compliance and the adaptation of lessons learned. A keen offshore double handed racing sailor, a hopeless kite surfer, he also competes (less well than he used to) in triathlon. Married to Carolyn, a classical musician who works for Serco with a grown-up son who is a Detective in the Metropolitan Police. They live in Oxfordshire. Gary looks forward to joining the team and taking the success of SCEG forward.