

## Biography of Jens Hügel, Senior Adviser, IRU



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Jens Hügel is Senior Adviser at IRU, leading IRU's Global Advocacy Team.

He joined IRU in 2001 as Head of Economic Affairs and shortly after became Head of Passenger Transport, Road Safety and Intermodal Transport. He then took over the position of Senior Adviser Sustainable Development and headed the IRU Goods Transport Council.

After studying at the University of Groningen, The Netherlands, and Texas A&M University, United States, he graduated from the University of Frankfurt a.M., Germany, with a degree in Geography. Following postgraduate research, he was employed by GIZ German Technical Cooperation as Political Advisor.

Between 1998 and 2001 Mr Hügel worked as Legislative Assistant for a Member of the European Parliament with a focus on contributing to the work of the European Parliament Committee on Transport and the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He also served as Legislative Assistant to the Czech Minister of Transport.

Mr Hügel currently holds several representative positions and has an extensive portfolio of publications.

Born in Plettenberg in 1968, Mr Hügel is a German national currently living in Geneva. He is married and the father of 2 girls.