

BIOGRAPHY

David Hartshorn

David Hartshorn is Secretary General of the GVF, the London-based non-profit international association of the satellite industry. GVF consists of member organisations from every major region of the world and from every sector of the industry, including mobile and fixed satellite operators, manufacturers, system integrators, and other service providers.

Supported by 15 affiliate offices, two regional offices and seven working groups, Mr. Hartshorn leads the Forum's global efforts to facilitate the provision of satellite-based communications solutions throughout all nations of the world.

Mr. Hartshorn works closely to support national-, regional- and global-level policy makers as they formulate state-of-the-art satellite regulatory, policy and spectrum-management frameworks. He is also responsible for creating greater awareness of the commercial, economic, political and technological advantages that satellite-based communications provide. GVF's training, product quality assurance, network validation, and other programmes are an important means by which these aims are achieved.