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Airline hub operations and network planning has been Nigel's major area of research interest. This was his PhD topic at the University of Birmingham (1988). Subsequent research in this area has been conducted for a wide variety of organisations including British Airways, AENA Spanish Airports, the European Commission, BAA, DHL and Hochtief AirPort. Other air transport research includes long-term traffic forecasts for the new Berlin-Brandenburg Airport and for regional airports in the UK, a market study for London City Airport, an appraisal of airport forecasting methodologies for the New Oslo Airport, an examination of the role of secondary airports for the Melbourne SE Airport Study and an analysis of airport charges and airline economics for Ryanair.

Nigel lectures in air transport at the University of Westminster as part of the MSc Transport Planning and Management programme and is organiser of a number of annual aviation seminars and short courses. He is also a visiting lecturer at Loughborough University, external examiner at London Metropolitan University and a programme committee member for the European Transport Conference.

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