

SPEAKER BIO:

Alastair Young

Alastair Young qualified as a General Practice Surveyor in 1985 and has since worked in various organisations from Local Authority to US software firms.

Alastair has been with KPMG since 1996, joining as Estate Manager and now has a broader role as the Head of Property (UK).

KPMG have 1.4m sq ft of office accommodation in the UK. Alastair worked, in the late 1990's, to ensure that the portfolio proved to be both cost effective and efficient regarding not only lease terms but also location and minimising void space.

Alastair's team forms part of the larger KPMG Facilities function and therefore he needs to be aware and "join up" with occupational standards and Facilities services.

In the past three years Alastair and his team have been instrumental in securing and monitoring the largest single KPMG operational property financial transaction i.e. the new office in Canary Wharf (15 Canada Square). At the same time the team have also implemented an acquisition to replace their Birmingham office. Both developments (over 500,000 sq ft in total) are due for completion and occupation in 2009/10.