David Grimes

David Grimes was the Assistant Deputy Minister and head of Environment and Climate Change Canada's (ECCC), Meteorological Service of Canada from July 2006 to August 2019. He was Canada's Permanent Representative with World Meteorological Organization (WMO) since December 2006 until August 2019.

In 2011, David was elected as President of the World Meteorological Service, and was re-elected by the Seventeenth World Meteorological Congress in 2015 for another four-year term. He has more than 25 years of experience working with WMO initiatives and programmes.

With over 45 years of scientific, operations, research and management experience at ECCC, David's experience includes a significant number of challenging positions and assignments over the years, ranging from weather forecast operations to science policy. He occupied the position of Director General with the Meteorological Service of Canada for 15 years.

David has extensive educational experience in the domains of science and management (MBA level). He holds a Bachelor of Science in physics, mathematics and meteorology. He has also been trained, and carried out the responsibilities as an operational meteorologist.