



World Cancer
Leaders' Summit

Cancer and

Universal Health Coverage

15-17 October 2019
Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan

Robert Yates

Project Director of the UHC Policy Forum at the
Royal Institute of International Affairs (London)

Robert Yates is a political health economist specializing in universal health coverage (UHC) and progressive health financing. He is a senior fellow of Chatham House, Royal Institute of International Affairs, in London where he is Project Director of the UHC Policy Forum. He is also an Honorary Associate Professor at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine and a long-term consultant to The Elders on their UHC programme.

His principal area of expertise is in the political economy of UHC, with a focus on advising political leaders and governments on how to plan, finance and implement national UHC reforms. He has previously worked as a Senior Health Economist with the UK's Department for International Development (DFID) and the World Health Organisation, advising numerous governments in Asia, Africa and Europe on health financing policy and health systems reforms.

He holds a BA degree in Natural Sciences and Economics from the University of Cambridge and a MBA, from the University of Leeds.

