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SPEAKERS' PROFILES

Anders AEROE: Director, Division of Market Development, International Trade Centre (ITC), Geneva



Anders Aeroe has been Director of the Division of Market Development of the International Trade Centre (ITC), Geneva, Switzerland since March 2011. Mr. Aeroe, a Danish national, joined ITC in 2007 and has since then held several positions within ITC, including as Acting Deputy Executive Director and as Chief of the Market Analysis and Research Section. During his professional career, Mr. Aeroe has focused on the interrelated topics of competitiveness and trade development at enterprise, organizational and policy level, trade intelligence, trade in services, sector and value chain development, and industrial transformation, learning and innovation. Before joining ITC, he spent a number years in South Africa, as a regional adviser to the Danish Industrialization Fund for Developing Countries and prior to this position as Senior Manager Trade Promotion at the Western Cape Trade and Investment Promotion Agency (WESGRO). He was Chairman of the Board of the Western Cape call centre business association (CallingtheCape) and was appointed as a member of the South African Maritime Industry Task Team. He also served as a member of the Advisory Council to the Cape IT Initiative. Prior to moving to South Africa, Mr. Aeroe held positions as Head of the Research and Policy Section at the Danish Society of Engineers and Export Manager at the Danish Federation of Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises. Mr. Aeroe holds a PhD in industrial economics from Copenhagen Business School. He has been a Research Fellow at University of California Los Angeles and at the Danish Institute for International Studies, and a post doc scholar at the Technical University of Denmark.

Giampaolo CANTINI: Director General for Development Cooperation, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome



Minister Plenipotentiary Giampaolo Cantini, Directorate General for Development Cooperation,

was born in Borgo San Lorenzo (Florence) on 21 June 1957.

- 28 October 1981: completed a degree in Political Science at the University of Florence;
- April 1st 1983: joined the Foreign Service;
- 5 April – December 1st 1983: professional training course at the Diplomatic Institute;
- 2 December 1983: appointed Second Secretary in the Directorate General for Political Affairs Office I (European Cooperation Policy, Council of Europe, Western European Union);
- 15 December 1983 - 6 December 1984: on leave for military service;
- 1984: received a diploma from the School of Advanced International Studies of the University of Florence;
- 6 December 1984: assigned to the Directorate General for Political Affairs Office I (European Cooperation Policy, Council of Europe, Western European Union);
- 15 May 1986: assigned as Second Trade Secretary at the Embassy of Italy in Addis Ababa;
- October 1st 1987: named First Secretary;
- December 1st 1988: confirmed in the same post as First Trade Secretary ;
- August 1st 1989: First Secretary at the Italian Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York;
- May 1st 1993: named First Counsellor;
- October 1st 1993: confirmed as Counsellor in the same post;
- 31 January 1994: assigned to the Directorate General for Political Affairs - Office VIII (United Nations).
- September 1st 1994: seconded to the Secretariat General of the Office of the President of the Republic – Diplomatic Affairs Office;
- 2 October 1995 - October 1st 1996: completed an advanced professional training course at the Diplomatic Institute;
- 2 October 1996: assigned to the General Secretariat of the Office of the President of the Republic – Diplomatic Affairs Office;
- July 1st 1998: named Embassy Counsellor;

- 30 August 1999: appointed First Counsellor on Domestic Policy and Consular Affairs of the Embassy of Italy in Washington;
- 2000: named Officer Knight of the Order of Merit of the Republic;
- 6 June 2003: appointed Head of Office III – Directorate General for Multilateral Political Affairs and Human Rights (G8 political process and international multilateral cooperation against terrorism, drug trafficking, corruption and organized crime);
- 2 January 2005: named Minister Plenipotentiary;
- 18 September 2007: appointed Ambassador of Italy to Algiers;
- 1 February 2012: posted as Consul General to Jerusalem.
- 16 January 2013: appointed Director of the Directorate for Development Cooperation (DGCS)

Paddy CARTER: *Researcher, Overseas Development Institute (ODI), London*



Paddy Carter is a Research Fellow at the Overseas Development Institute in London. He specialises in aid allocation, domestic revenue mobilization, and development finance more generally. He is also interested in public sector reform, monetary policy in developing countries, and structural change.

Before joining ODI, Paddy was a British Academy Post-Doctoral Fellow at the University of Bristol, where he also did his PhD. Both his doctoral thesis and research under the BA fellowship was focused on optimal dynamic aid allocation, and has produced a number of papers published in leading economic journals. Before entering academia, Paddy spent a decade working as an equities analyst at a London-based stockbroker and a journalist for Investors Chronicle, Financial Times Business.

Luca DE FRAIA: *Deputy Secretary General, ActionAid Italy, Rome*



Luca De Fraia is the Deputy Secretary General of ActionAid Italia, which he joined in 2002. De Fraia is responsible for institutional relationships and policy positioning; ActionAid Italy works on ODA and development cooperation policies, food and women's rights. He started the policy and research national programme that now offers some well established publications, including the annual report on Italy's efforts to fight poverty. Since 2012, AA has been developing a domestic programme with the ambition of supporting local communities in asserting their rights in the areas of education and equal access to services in an accountability perspective. ActionAid

believes in countries that are fully accountable, domestically and globally.

De Fraia has been a member of the CONCORD AidWatch working group from its inception in 2006; since then, AidWatch has been publishing the annual EU accountability report that monitors ODA quantity and quality across the region. In 2008, he joined the Advisory Group to the UN Development Cooperation Forum on behalf of the ActionAid federation as alternate member and CSO contact person. In 2010, De Fraia joined the coordination group of the CSO BetterAid platform in preparation for the Busan conference; he is now member of the Coordination Committee of the CPDE, the CSO Partnership for Development Effectiveness, which is inter alia representing civil society organizations on the Steering Committee of the GPEDC. In such a capacity, he was actively involved in the preparations for the first High Level Meeting of the GPEDC, held in Mexico City in April 2014. More recently, he was actively involved in the CSOs' preparations for the Addis Ababa conference on FFD, at the European and the global level. He is also an active member of several Italia national CSO networks, including the national forum of the third sector (Forum del Terzo Settore). He is a member of the Italian National Council for Development Cooperation.

Before joining ActionAid, De Fraia was the national coordinator of the Italian Debt Campaign Sdebitarsi from 1989 to 2002, which was successful in terms of popular and media support as well as of tangible outcomes. The campaign grabbed the headlines between 1999 and 2000; the campaign culminated with the Parliament's approval of Bill 209 in July 2000, which makes provisions for debt cancellation. As national coordinator, he liaised with international networks such as the Jubilee 2000 movement and the Drop the Debt campaign; he was responsible for outreaching to key national government offices, MPs and opinion leaders as well.

Luca De Fraia has participated in lobby and campaigning work targeted at the G8 Summits since

Cologne in 1999. In 2001, he took part in the organization of the Genoa Non Governmental initiative - Civil G8 like process organized under the Italian presidency; he was one of the spokespersons for the Genoa Social Forum, the civil society parallel summit. From 2005, De Fraia was actively involved in the international working group of Global call to action against poverty – GCAP; member of leading group steering the advocacy and campaign for the Italy G8 2009 Summit.

From 1988 to 1998, De Fraia was an active member of the Italian anti-apartheid movement; he monitored the transition to the general elections in 1994 and the drafting of the new South African constitution.

Over the years, De Fraia has given various lectures and published articles on campaign and advocacy work in Italy.

Laura FRIGENTI: *Director, Italian Agency for Development Cooperation, Rome*



Laura Frigenti was appointed Director of the newly established Italian Agency for Development Cooperation in January 2016. Before then she spent over 20 years in the USA where she held various positions at the World Bank and in other public organizations.

She joined the World Bank in 1994 and she held several technical and senior manager positions, including Country Director for Central America and the Andean Countries, Director of Strategy and Operations for both Latin America and Caribbean and Africa, Chief of Staff to the President and Director of the President's Office. During her career, Laura Frigenti designed some of the Bank's most innovative programs, and was deeply involved in organizational reforms.

After leaving the World Bank in 2014, Laura Frigenti was Vice President for the Global Development Practice at InterAction the largest umbrella organization of US NGOs where she dealt extensively with issues related to public/private partnership, transparency and accountability, and private funding for development. She brings in-depth knowledge and expertise of Africa, Central Asia, Europe and Latin America region, with direct experience in leading the dialogue with political and business leaders in over 30 countries.

Before joining the World Bank, she worked at the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Directorate General for Development Cooperation; the Istituto per la Cooperazione Economica (ICEPS) where she led the think tank's effort around international development; the UN Economic Commission for Latin America & Caribbean in Chile and the Istituto di Studi Italo Africani.

Laura holds a master in History and International Affairs from the University of Rome, la Sapienza.

Gaspar FRONTINI: *Head of Unit "Policy and Coherence", DG DEVCO, European Commission, Brussels*



Gaspar Frontini, a Spanish national, is Chief Economist in the Directorate General for Trade of the European Commission, a responsibility he has held since 2003. Former student of the Paris-based institution Sciences Po, he holds a PhD in economics from the French Fondation Nationale de Sciences Politiques and has a strong experience in trade and development issues. Since 1986 he has occupied several high level positions in the European Commission, working for the Directorate General for Development, where he was among others Assistant to the Director General in 1997 and Head of the Regional Coordination Unit in 2000. He also holds degrees in Trade Policy from Harvard University and in International Trade Law from the College of Europe.

Mr. Frontini is closely involved with policy development at the Commission, not least in the context of the ongoing global economic and financial crisis. He is also leading an internal project that aims to map out policy options for the EU's trade policy during the term of the next Commission (2009 – 2014), which is due to take office before the end of the year.

Mario GIRO: *Deputy Minister, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome*



Born in Rome (29th July 1958), Mario Giro has lived in Brussels until he was 15 years old. He studied in Uccle.

In 1984 he graduated in Literature at the Sapienza University (Rome).

Member of the Community of Sant'Egidio from 1975, he participated in various activities in the field of primary education for poor children in the outskirts of the city of Rome.

Since the early 80's he started his commitment to inter-religious dialogue, in particular with regard to the Muslim world, and he took an active part in the organization of the Annual Prayer Meeting for Peace (since the first Prayer Day held in Assisi in 1986).

Since the early 90's, he worked in Africa for the Community of Sant'Egidio – especially in Ivory Coast and Cameroon – in the field of International Relations and Mediation for Peace.

From 1998 until 2013 he was in charge of the International Relations for the Community of Sant'Egidio, being involved in several mediation processes, namely in Algeria (1994-5), Kosovo (1998-9), between RDC and Burundi (2000), Ivory Coast (2002-2011), Liberia (2004-5), Togo (2003), Darfur (from 2004), Northern Uganda (2006-8), Guinea (2007-11), Niger (2011), Libya (2011), Syria (2012) and Casamance – Senegal (2012).

In 2010 he was awarded with the Prize for Preemptive Peace by the Chirac Foundation.

In 2012 he was Counsellor to the Minister of International Cooperation and organized the International Forum for International Cooperation in Milan.

In May 2013 he was appointed as Under Secretary of State, with competence for Latin America, African Countries members of the SADC and Cultural promotion. He was confirmed in the same post in March 2014 by the new Government.

In January 2016 was appointed as Vice Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation.

Ettore GRECO: *Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome*



Ettore Greco is Director of the IAI and also heads the transatlantic program of the institute. He worked as visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution from January 2006 to July 2007. He taught at the universities of Parma and Bologna. From 2000 to 2006 he worked as correspondent for the Economist Intelligence Unit. From 1993 to 2000 he directed the IAI's program on Central and Eastern Europe. He was also Deputy Director of the IAI from 1997 to 2008. From 2000 to 2006 he was

Editor of The International Spectator. He is the author of a number of publications on the EU's institutions and foreign policy, transatlantic relations and the Balkans. He has been a free-lance journalist since 1988.

Matthias HELBLE: *Research Economist, Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI), Tokyo*



Matthias Helble is a research economist at ADBI. His research interests include international trade, health, environment, and urban economics. His work has been published in flagship reports of international organizations such as the World Trade Organization's World Trade Report, as well as in numerous books and scientific journals, including the Review of World Economics, Kyklos, Journal of World Trade, World Economy, Health & Place, and the Bulletin of the World Health Organization.

His columns and policy work have been published and cited in prominent international media such as the Associate Press and the BBC. He teaches regularly at Hitotsubashi University and the University of Tokyo.

Matthias began his professional career in the trade team of the Development Research Group of the World Bank in Washington, DC, before joining the World Health Organization in Geneva, Switzerland, where he was responsible for research on the intersection of trade and health. He then worked as an economist for the World Trade Organization in the areas of environment, climate change, and technical standards. Prior to coming to Tokyo, he managed the statistics program, including a project on big data, of the United Nations' Universal Postal Union in Bern.

He holds degrees in economics from the University of Tübingen (BA, MSc) in Germany, the University of Wisconsin-Madison (MA) in the United States, and the Graduate Institute of International and De-

velopment Studies (MSc, PhD) in Geneva. During his doctoral studies he was a research fellow at Yale University. Matthias is fluent in German, English, French, and Spanish, and has good knowledge of Portuguese.

Damien HELLY: *Deputy Head, Strengthening European External Action Programme, European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM), Maastricht*



Damien Helly joined ECDPM in March 2013 and is the Deputy Head of the Strengthening European External Action Programme, where he deals with the strategic, political and institutional dimensions of EU development policies with Africa and ACP countries, contributing to the multidisciplinary nature of ECDPM's team work. Damien monitors and engages in debates on, for instance, the politics of EU's aid and trade, policy coherence for development (PCD), EU's regional strategies in Africa, and EU-Africa relations more generally. He is also visiting professor at the International Relations and Diplomacy Department of the College of Europe in Bruges where he teaches a Masters level course on the EU's Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP). He holds a PhD in political science from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences po) and has published extensively on the EU's external action.

Jose LUENGO-CABRERA: *Associate Analyst, European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), Paris*



Jose is an Associate Analyst at the EU Institute for Security Studies, where he specialises on economic and security-related developments in Africa and Latin America. He has previously worked for the European External Action Service, International Crisis Group, Roubini Global Economics and the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations. He holds an MSc in Comparative Conflict Studies from the London School of Economics and a BSc in Economics & International Studies from the Universities of Warwick and Sciences-Po Paris.

James MACKIE: *Senior Adviser EU, Development Policy, European Centre for Development Policy Management (ECDPM), Brussels*



Dr. James Mackie is a specialist on EU development policy with a career of some 30 years in international development cooperation. In January 2012, under ECDPM's new 5-year Strategy, he was appointed as a Senior Adviser on EU Development Policy in the Centre. He is also a member of ECDPM's Management Team. For nine years, since he joined ECDPM in 2002, he served as one of the Centre's Heads of Programme. His most recent programme responsibility was as head of the former DPIR (Development Policy and International Relations) Programme. Dr Mackie is also a Visiting Professor at the International Relations and Diplomacy Department of the College of Europe in Bruges where he teaches a Masters level course on the EU & International Development. Originally from Edinburgh in Scotland, James Mackie has British nationality, but has spent much of his life abroad. He gained a PhD in Geography at the School of Oriental & African Studies of the University of London in 1982 for a thesis on regional development in India. He also holds a BSc in Town & Country Planning from Heriot-Watt University in Edinburgh. Prior to joining ECDPM, James Mackie developed his knowledge of EU development cooperation while working for ten years as Secretary-General of the NGDO-EU Liaison Committee in Brussels (now CONCORD), the umbrella organisation of EU development NGOs representing their interests to the European Institutions. From 1982 to 1992 he worked for VSO, the British NGO specialising in low-cost technical assistance, both in Asia (Philippines, Maldives, Sri Lanka) as a country representative and programme manager and then at the headquarters in London, on programme funding.

Antonio MISSIROLI: *Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS), Paris*



Antonio Missiroli has been the Director of the European Union Institute for Security Studies (EUISS) since October 2012. At the EUISS, he and his team of Analysts have produced a number of publications examining global trends on issues ranging from climate change to the future of the Arab world and the security of the Arctic. More recently, Dr Missiroli has been closely involved in the drafting of the recent HR/VP Report on 'The European Union in a changing global environment', and will assist in the crafting of the EU's Global Strategy, due to come out next June.

Previously, he was Adviser at the Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA) of the European Commission, in charge of European dialogue/outreach (relations with think tanks and research centres across the Union and beyond) and publications (2010-2012); Director of Studies at the European Policy Centre in Brussels (2005-2010), and Research Fellow and Senior Research Fellow at the W/EU Institute for Security Studies in Paris (1998-2005). He was also Head of European Studies at CeSPI in Rome (1994-97) and a Visiting Fellow at St Antony's College, Oxford (1996-97).

As well as being a professional journalist, he has also taught at the Universities of Bath and Trento, as well as Boston University and SAIS/Johns Hopkins (Bologna). He is currently visiting lecturer at the College of Europe (Bruges) and Sciences Po (Paris).

Dr Missiroli holds a PhD degree in Contemporary History from the Scuola Normale Superiore (Pisa) and a Master's degree in International Public Policy from SAIS/Johns Hopkins University. He speaks Italian, English, French and German

David NABARRO: *Special Adviser of the UN Secretary-General on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, New York*



David Nabarro serves as Special Adviser of the Secretary-General on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. He works with Governments and other stakeholders to galvanize action on implementation of both the 2030 and Climate Action agendas. He also oversees the Secretary-General's special initiatives, including Every Woman Every Child, Global Pulse and Zero Hunger Challenge, and the UN Office for Partnerships.

He has more than 30 years' experience of public health, nutrition and development at country, regional and global levels, and has held positions in non-governmental organizations, universities, national Governments and the United Nations (UN) system.

Mr. Nabarro was born in London in 1949 and qualified as a physician in 1973. He started his career with four years in the United Kingdom National Health Service. He then contributed to the health and nutrition of mothers and children, through community development and humanitarian relief programmes, particularly in Iraq, South Asia and East Africa.

He has held positions in the London and Liverpool Schools of Tropical Medicine, served as Chief Health and Population Adviser to the United Kingdom Overseas Development Administration and has been a Director for Human Development in the UK Department for International Development.

Mr. Nabarro joined the UN system in 1999, leading the Roll Back Malaria initiative at the World Health Organization (WHO). He was appointed as a WHO Executive Director in 2001 and led WHO's Department for Health Action in Crises from 2003. Between 2005 and 2014 he served as the UN System's Senior Coordinator for Avian and Pandemic Influenza. Since 2009 he has been the Special Representative of the UN Secretary-General for Food Security and Nutrition, a position he continues to hold. From 2011 to 2015 he served as Coordinator of the Movement to Scale Up Nutrition. From September 2014 until December 2015 he was Special Envoy of the United Nations Secretary-General on Ebola, providing strategic and policy direction for the international response.

Jason NARDI: *RIPESS EU - Solidarity Economy Europe, General Delegate, RIPESS Intercontinental, Member of the Board of Directors, Florence*



Jason Nardi is General Delegate of RIPESS EU - Solidarity Economy Europe, and member of the RIPESS Intercontinental board of directors (ripestt.org / ripestt.eu). With a background on Communication and media (Princeton University, USA and a Master's degree at the University of Florence), he has been director of the Italian center of Oneworld.net – Unimondo (www.unimondo.org) and coordinator of the Social Watch Italian coalition. An advocate for social justice, ethical finance and communication rights, he is an active member of the International Council of the World Social Forum, has been organiser for Terra Futura (Italian yearly event on SSE with more than 50'000 participants) and has co-created Zoes.org – the first Italian social network for SSE. Recently he's been working on an app to map European SSE initiatives (Go-faireu) and on a game on Ethical Banking. Jason is currently on the board of the Italian Ngo COSPE (cospe.org) and of an organic-fair catering cooperative (zenzerocooperativa.it). In his hometown, Florence (Italy), he's promoting the CSA (GAS) network and Solidarity Economy District. He's also a trainer on Solidarity Economy topics and co-founded Solidarius in Italy (solidarius.it), a research-consulting organisation to help develop solidarity economy networks, part of a Brazilian based international network (Solidarius.net).

Nicoletta PIROZZI: *Senior Fellow, European affairs, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome*



Senior fellow in the European Affairs area, Nicoletta Pirozzi works mainly on EU civilian crisis management, policy and institutional developments in CFSP/CSDP, EU relations with the United Nations and the African Union. In 2012, she has served as Seconded National Expert at the European External Action Service (EEAS) in Brussels. Previously, she has been research fellow in the European Foreign and Security Policy Studies Programme and visiting fellow at the EU Institute for Security Studies in Paris. In 2005-2006, she was Project Officer responsible for the Responding to Conflict programme area at the International Security Information Service (ISIS) Europe in Brussels. She also collaborated with the Italian Permanent Representation to the EU and the European Parliament in Brussels. She graduated in Political Science at the University of Pisa and at the Scuola Superiore Sant'Anna in Pisa. She also obtained a MSc Degree in European Political and Administrative Studies from the College of Europe (Bruges, Belgium) and a Ph.D. in Institutions and Politics from the Catholic University in Milan.

Margherita ROMANELLI: *Policy Advisor and Asia Desk Officer, Gruppo Volontariato Civile (GVC), Bologna*



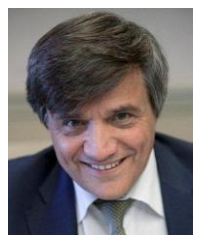
Margherita Romanelli works at GVC NGO as Policy Advisor and Asia Desk Officer. Her expertise concerns the fight against poverty, specifically regarding the strengthening of civil society. Since the year 2000 she works in international development and cooperation expanding her experience in the direct management of humanitarian aid projects and development, funded by main international donors and in partnership with local and national authorities in the country of intervention. She is an active member of the Advisory Board of Link 2007 and Concord Italia, as well as participating in several working groups and dialogue initiatives promoted by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, the cooperative sector and other institutional and civil society representatives. Margherita carries out training activities on the subject of international cooperation and development including the coherence of development policies, and also collaborates with some magazine.

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Kostas STAMOULIS: *Assistant Director-General, Economic and Social Development Department, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), Rome*



Kostas G. Stamoulis is currently the Assistant Director-General a.i. of the Economic and Social Development Department at the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

He served as Director, Strategic Programme Leader, Food Security and Nutrition in FAO. He led through 2015 the design and provided strategic guidance of FAO's Strategic Programme on Food Security and Nutrition which cuts across several disciplines and geographical regions.

Between 2008 and 2015 he was the Director of the Agricultural Development Economics Division of FAO. ESA carries out the bulk of analytical and evidence-based policy work of FAO with about 150 staff members.

From 2007 to 2015 he has been the Secretary of the Committee on World Food Security (CFS) and played a key role in the reform of the committee.

Since joining FAO he has held progressively responsible technical and management positions.

Before joining FAO in 1989, he was Assistant Professor of Agricultural Economics at the University of Illinois in Urbana Champaign. From 1985 to 1987 he was a post-doctoral fellow at the University of California at Berkeley. His work includes issues related to the role of agriculture in rural development and rural poverty reduction in developing countries; the impact of changes in food systems on smallholder farmers and on rural poverty; the linkages between the agricultural sector and the rural non-farm economy and the integration of food security and nutrition in sectorial policies and programs.

He has also carried out work on the assessment of the role of macroeconomic and exchange-rate policies on agriculture and the rural sector and the interdependence between exchange rate, financial and commodity markets. He has published a large number of papers, articles, books and monographs on a variety of subjects.

He holds a degree in Economics from the Economics University of Athens (Greece), a Master's Degree in Agricultural Economics from the University of Georgia (USA) and a Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of California at Berkeley.

Christos STYLIANIDES: European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management, Brussels



Christos Stylianides is the European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management since November 1st, 2014. On October 24th, 2014 he was appointed by the European Council EU Ebola Coordinator.

He was elected Member of the European Parliament in the May 2014 European elections where he served until October 31st 2014. He was twice appointed Government Spokesperson of the Republic of Cyprus (in 2013-2014 and in 1998-1999). He was responsible for the management of the Government's communication strategy and was the head of the Government's centralised Press and Information Office.

During the period 2006-2013 he served as a Member of the Cyprus House of Representatives (elected in 2006 and 2011). During his tenure he served as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Foreign and European Affairs (2011-2013) and member of the Committee on European Affairs, the Committee of Internal Affairs and the Committee of Employment and Social Affairs (2006-2011). Between 2006-2011 he was a member of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and he was elected Member of its Bureau in 2012.

Nathalie TOCCI: Deputy Director, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), and Special Advisor to EU HRVP Federica Mogherini, Rome



Nathalie Tocci is Deputy Director of Istituto Affari Internazionali, Editor of The International Spectator and Special Adviser to EU HRVP Federica Mogherini, in charge of outreaching to think tanks and coordination of work on a new European Security Strategy. She is honorary professor at the University of Tübingen. Previously she held research positions at the Centre for European Policy Studies, Brussels, the Transatlantic Academy, Washington and the Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies, Florence.

Her research interests include European foreign policy, conflict resolution, the Middle East and the Mediterranean. Her major publications include *Turkey and the European Union*, Palgrave Macmillan, 2015 (co-author); *Multilateralism in the 21st Century*, London and New York, Routledge, 2013 (co-editor), *Turkey's European Future: Behind the Scenes of America's Influence on EU-Turkey Relations*, New York and London, New York University Press, 2011 (author); *The EU and Conflict Resolution*, Routledge, London, 2007 (author); and *EU Accession Dynamics and Conflict Resolution: Catalyzing Peace or Consolidating Partition in Cyprus?*, Ashgate, Aldershot, 2004, (author). Nathalie is the 2008 winner of the Anna Lindh award for the study of European Foreign Policy.