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Hillary Rodham Clinton

Secretary of State

Hillary Rodham Clinton is the Secretary of State of the United States, joining the State Department after nearly four decades in public service.

She was an assistant professor at the University of Arkansas School of Law, and during her 12 years as First Lady of the State of Arkansas, she was Chairwoman of the Arkansas Education Standards Committee, cofounded the Arkansas Advocates for Children and Families, and served on the boards of the Arkansas Children's Hospital, and the Children's Defense Fund. After Governor Clinton was elected President, First Lady Hillary Clinton led efforts to improve adoption and foster care systems, reduce teen pregnancy, and provide health care to millions of children.

Secretary Clinton also helped launch the Vital Voices Democracy Initiative, a non-governmental organization to train and organize women leaders across the globe. In the Senate, she served on the Armed Services Committee, the Health, Education, Labor and Pensions Committee, the Environment and Public Works Committee, the Budget Committee and the Select Committee on Aging. She was also a Commissioner on the Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe and was the only Senate member of the Transformation Advisory Group to the Department of Defense's Joint Forces Command. She is a graduate of Wellesley College and Yale Law School.

AFRIQUE DU SUD / SOUTH AFRICA



Pravin Jamnadas Gordhan Minister of Finance

Date of Birth: 12 April 1949

Marital status: Married with 2 children

Positions

Member of Parliament from 1994 until 1998

Chairperson of the Constitutional Committee in Parliament from 1996

Deputy Commissioner for the South African Revenue Service from March 1998

Commissioner for the South African Revenue Service from November 1999

Minister of Finance of the Republic of South Africa from 11 May 2009

Academic Qualifications

Bachelor of Pharmacy from the University of Durban Westville (1973)

Career/Positions/Memberships/Other Activities

Became involved in politics during the late 1960's

Organised and led the student movement and civic structures during the 1970s and 1980s

Took part in the Natal Indian Congress call to boycott elections in the 1980's

Detained three times by the apartheid government

Spent four years in the underground structures

Was also involved in the South African Communist Party (SACP) and African National Congress (ANC)

Worked as a pharmacist at the King Edward VII hospital in Durban until he was expelled after his detention by the police. (1974 – 1981)

Participated in the in multi-party talks at the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (CODESA). (1990)

Co-chairperson of the Transitional Executive Council which prepared the country for the 1994 elections. (1991 – 1994)

Played a role in drafting the White Paper on Local Government which laid the foundation for developing local government authorities

Chairperson of the Constitutional Committee in Parliament, which had oversight over the implementation of the new constitution, adopted in 1996

Chairperson of the World Customs Organization (WCO) until July 2006

Chairperson of the Forum on Tax Administration (FTA) within the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) from 2008

Awards/Presentations/Bursaries

Doctorate of Commerce honoris causa from University of South Africa (May 2007)

Doctorate of Law honoris causa from the University of Cape Town (June 2007)

DTech: Business Administration

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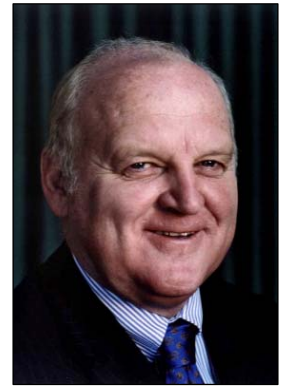
Rob Davies

Minister of Trade & Industry

Mr Davies is Minister of Trade and Industry of the Republic of South Africa. Between June 2005 and May 2009 he was Deputy Minister in the same portfolio and has been an ANC Member of the South African Parliament since 1994. He previously chaired the Portfolio Committees of Finance and of Trade and Industry as well as the Sub-Committee of the Constitutional Assembly responsible for the Chapter 13 (Finance) of the Constitution.

Professionally, he has an Honours degree in Economics (from Rhodes University), a Masters in International Relations (from the University of Southampton) and a Doctorate in Political Studies (from the University of Sussex). Between 1979 and 1990, he was attached to the Centre of African Studies, Eduardo Mondlane University, working, until her murder in 1982, under the direction of the late Ruth First. Before entering parliament in 1994, he was Professor and Co-Director of the Centre for Southern African Studies at the University of the Western Cape (UWC). His research interests during this period focused on issues of Southern African regional cooperation and integration. He undertook policy research both for the ANC and the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and also became actively engaged with issues of globalisation and international trade.

ALLEMAGNE / GERMANY



Bernd Pfaffenbach

State Secretary in the Federal Ministry of Economics & Technology

He was born in Kassel on 7 May 1946. After completing his schooling, he studied economics at Marburg University, graduating in 1971. The university awarded him a doctorate in politics in 1974.

Dr. Pfaffenbach began his professional career in 1974 in the division responsible for general issues of energy policy in the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology. Following a period at the Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Germany to the United Nations in Geneva (1977-1978), he returned to the Ministry in 1978, and was deployed in the divisions responsible for general questions of external economic policy and international monetary policy and for general questions of the economic system and monetary policy, before becoming personal secretary to State Secretary Otto Schlecht in 1984.

In 1988, Dr. Pfaffenbach was appointed head of the division for economics and finance in the Office of the Federal President. In 1992, he moved to the Federal Chancellery as Director and Deputy Director-General, where he was responsible for economic policy, fiscal policy and the new Länder.

In 2001, Federal Chancellor Gerhard Schröder made Dr. Pfaffenbach his economic advisor and director-general for economic and fiscal policy in the Federal Chancellery. He has served as State Secretary in the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology since December 2004. From 2004-2009, he acted as Personal Representative of the Federal Chancellor (Sherpa) for the World Economic Summits of the G8 states in Gleneagles, St. Petersburg, Heiligendamm, Toyako and L'Aquila.

Dr. Bernd Pfaffenbach has chaired the OECD Executive Committee in Special Session since 2006.

ALLEMAGNE / GERMANY



Johannes Westerhoff

Ambassador of Germany to the OECD

Ambassador Johannes Westerhoff took up his duties as Permanent Representative of Germany to the OECD on 8 December 2008.

Mr. Westerhoff was born in Wietzen, Germany, in 1947. In 1976, after studying Law and History at Heidelberg, Geneva, Munich and Berkeley and passing the Bar exam, he entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. His first assignment was to the political affairs directorate of the Ministry, dealing with questions of European policy. During this time, he undertook several short missions to London, Copenhagen and Paris in the context of the German Presidency of the European Community in 1978.

In 1979, Mr. Westerhoff was posted to the German Embassy in Jakarta, Indonesia. In 1982 he returned to Bonn where he served in the Directorate for Legal Affairs of the Ministry. Then, in 1985, he was appointed Minister-Counsellor at the German Embassy in Dakar, Senegal. From 1987 to 1990 he was posted to the German Embassy in Paris in the political department then in the press and communications department.

In 1994, Mr. Westerhoff was named Ambassador to Mauritania. From 2000 to 2003 he was head of the human resources service of the Federal Ministry. Then, in 2003, he was appointed Assistant Secretary-General for Franco-German Cooperation. From 2005 until his nomination as Permanent Representative of Germany to the OECD, Mr. Westerhoff was Ambassador of Germany to Algeria.

Mr. Westerhoff is married and has four children.

ARGENTINE / ARGENTINA



Héctor Marcos Timerman

Minister of Foreign Relations, International Trade & Worship

The President of the Republic of Argentina Cristina Fernandez de Kirchner appointed Ambassador Héctor M. Timerman as Minister of Foreign Relations, International Trade and Worship in June 2010.

Prior to his appointment he served as Ambassador of the Republic of Argentina to the United States of America from December 2007 until June 2010.

Ambassador Timerman has also served as the G-20 Sherpa for Argentina since November 2008.

He was Consul General of the Republic of Argentina in New York from July 2004 until December 2007.

Ambassador Timerman has had an extensive career as a journalist, writing for different publications and audio-visual media. In Argentina, he was a columnist at Noticias magazine and Ambito Financiero newspaper. He was also co-director of Debate magazine, as well as a host of several television and radio shows. He has also published articles in The New York Times, Newsweek, The Nation, and The Los Angeles Times.

He has been a lecturer on Human Rights in New York from 1979 to 1983 and from 2005 to 2006, and is the co-author of the book "Torture" (New Press, 2005).

From 1978 until 1983, he was exiled in the United States.

His affiliations with international institutions include: Co-Founder and Board Member of Human Rights Watch in New York (1981-1989); Director of the Fund for Free Expression in London (1983-1989); Member of the Board of Directors of the Asamblea Permanente por los Derechos Humanos (Permanent Assembly for Human Rights) in Buenos Aires (2002-2004); and President of the Board of Directors of the International Coalition of Historic Site Museums of Conscience.

He earned a Master's degree in International Affairs from Columbia University, New York, NY, in 1981.

Ambassador Timerman was born in Buenos Aires on December 16, 1953. He is married to Argentine architect Anabelle Sielecki, and they have two daughters, Jordana and Amanda.

AUSTRALIE / AUSTRALIA



Craig Emerson Minister for Trade

Craig Emerson was elected to Parliament in 1998.

After the 2010 Australian Federal Election he was appointed the Minister for Trade. Prior to that, he had portfolio responsibility for small business, competition policy, consumer affairs and deregulation.

Craig holds a Bachelor of Economics (Honours) Degree from the University of Sydney, a Master of Economics Degree from the University of Sydney and a PhD in Economics from The Australian National University.

He has been a Post-Doctoral Fellow at The Australian National University and has around 20 publications to his name, including a book setting out a vision and plan for Australia's future. Since becoming a Parliamentarian, Craig has had more than 80 opinion pieces published in national newspapers.

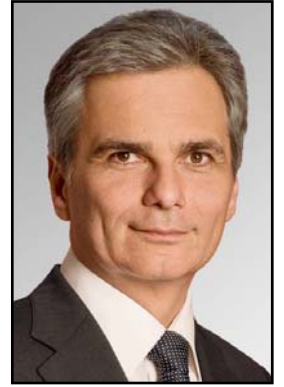
Professionally, Craig has been Secretary of a Queensland Government Department, CEO of a Queensland Statutory Authority, an Assistant Secretary in the Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet and an Economic Analyst at the United Nations.

Craig was a Senior Policy Adviser to former Prime Minister Bob Hawke and earlier, to Finance Minister Peter Walsh. He was Mr Hawke's adviser on trade policy, microeconomic reform and the environment.

In addition to his more than 25 years of public policy work, Craig has successfully run his own small business.

Craig's other interests include Rugby Union and Rugby League and he still plays a few games for the Parliamentary Rugby Union Team.

AUTRICHE / AUSTRIA



Werner Faymann Federal Chancellor

Mr. Faymann was born in Vienna, Austria on 4 May 1960.

From 1985 to 1988, he was consultant at the Zentralsparkasse. In 1988, Mr. Faymann became Director and provincial chairman of the Viennese Tenants Counselling.

From 1985 to 1994, Mr. Faymann was Provincial Chairman of Socialist Youth Vienna (Sozialistische Jugend Wien). From 1994 to 2007, he was Member of the Viennese state parliament and municipal council; Executive City Councillor for Housing, Housing Construction and Urban Renewal; President of the Viennese Fund for Provision of Property and Urban Renewal (Wiener Bodenbereitstellungs- und Stadterneuerungsfonds, WBSF) and Vice President of the Viennese Business Agency (Wiener Wirtschaftsförderungsfonds, WWFF). From 2007 to 2008, he served as Federal Minister for Transport, Innovation and Technology (Bundesministerium für Verkehr, Innovation und Technologie, BMVIT). Since June 2008, Mr. Faymann is Chairman of the Social Democratic Party of Austria (SPÖ).

On 2 December 2008, Mr. Faymann was sworn in by Federal President Heinz Fischer as Federal Chancellor.

AUTRICHE / AUSTRIA



Andreas Schieder

State Secretary in the Ministry of Finance

Born in 1969 in Vienna, Andreas Schieder studied economics at the University of Vienna. Currently he serves as State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Finance and is actually concentrating on policies needed to tackle the economic crisis. In this respect models for a financial transaction tax are in the focus of Andreas Schieder's interest.

The dedication to foreign policy and international relations has ever since formed major part of Schieder's political career. In 1997 Schieder became President of the European Young Socialists (ECOSY). From 1997 to 2006 Andreas Schieder was Member of the Municipal Council of Vienna, followed by being Member of the Austrian Parliament from 2006 to 2008. From 2007 to 2008 Schieder was International Secretary of the Social Democratic Party, Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the Parliamentarian Committee on Foreign Affairs as well as Member of the Parliamentarian Assembly of the Council of Europe. Before serving in the Federal Ministry of Finance he held the position of a State Secretary in the Federal Chancellery.

BELGIQUE / BELGIUM



Yves Leterme

Prime Minister of the caretaker government

Yves Leterme is a child of Westhoek – the Western part of Flanders right against the French border. He was born in Wervik (6 October 1960) and spent his childhood in Zillebeke – in the ‘Flanders fields’, a few hundred meters away from Hill 60 and other reminders of WWI. He went to school in Ypres, where he is living today with his wife Sofie Haesen and their three children Matthias, Thomas and Julie. In terms of his family background, Yves Leterme is as Belgian as one can be: his father is a French-speaking Walloon and his mother a Dutch-speaking Flemish person.

Yves Leterme read political sciences and law at the Kortrijk Campus of the University of Leuven and at the University of Ghent. The subjects he studied reflected his passion for politics and the good advice of his parents. It was then that he caught the politics bug: as a result of his fierce opposition to local youth policy in Ypres, the Christian-democratic party invited him to join their ranks, and in 1983 he became the chairman of the CVP Youth Section Ypres.

Two years later Yves Leterme became an assistant to the MP Paul Breyne and the CVP secretary for the Ypres district. He then worked in the cabinet of the regional Minister Paul Deprez. In 1987 Leterme joined the Belgian Court of Auditors, and he worked there for two years. In the meantime he continued to be actively involved with the CVP Youth Section (in the national office and as national vice-chairman), and with the Ypres CVP, where he became chairman in 1988. He joined the national CVP secretariat in Brussels in 1989, first as national vice-secretary and in 1991 as national secretary.

Yves Leterme became an administrator with the European Union in 1992. He worked in the European Parliament for five years. Later, as Minister-President of Flanders, he remained closely connected with European affairs, inter alia as a regular participant in the Agriculture Council meetings. At the same time he remained politically active in Ypres, where he became municipal councillor in 1995 and an MP in 1997. He became CD&V group leader in the Chamber (House of Commons) in 2001 and party chairman in 2003.

Yves Leterme became Minister-President of the Flemish Government in 2004. Flanders fared well during his term of office. Yves Leterme adopted the pragmatic approach of seeking to increase the dynamic economic process and social welfare in Flanders. He steered the Flemish Government towards a policy of investments (the ‘investment government’), channelling resources into the infrastructure and logistics with an eye to both the business climate and social welfare (notably the Flanders Port Area, homes for the elderly, child care, immigrant integration). He successfully facilitated the use of the PPP structures in order to accelerate the pace of investment. Yves Leterme’s Government also followed a policy of tight budgetary discipline– Flanders’ large implicit debt was reduced to zero as the result of his Government’s policies.

Yves Leterme received 796,521 personal votes in the 10th June 2007 elections, thereby leading his party to a landslide victory. This was the second highest level of personal votes ever in Belgium’s national elections. He was appointed Vice-Prime Minister of Belgium and Minister for the Budget, Transport, Institutional Reform and the North Sea on 21st December 2007. Yves Leterme in his capacity as Prime Minister succeeded in winning the confidence of the chamber on 23rd March. Yves Leterme became a senator in December 2008. He was sworn in as Minister of Foreign Affairs on July 17th 2009. He was appointed Prime Minister on 25th November 2009. The King of Belgium accepted Leterme II’s resignation on 26th April 2010. On 6th July 2010 he was elected to become a member of the House of Representatives.



Didier Reynders

Vice-Premier Ministre, Ministre des Finances & des Réformes institutionnelles

Didier Reynders, né à Liège le 6 août 1958, a fait ses études classiques à l'Institut Saint-Jean Berchmans de Liège et est licencié en droit de l'Université de Liège (1981). Il a ensuite exercé la profession d'avocat pendant quatre ans.

En 1985, il a été nommé directeur général au département des pouvoirs locaux du Ministère de la Région wallonne. Il a occupé ce poste jusqu'en janvier 1988.

De mars 1987 à mai 1988, il a été chef de cabinet du Vice-Premier Ministre, Ministre de la Justice et des Réformes institutionnelles Jean Gol.

Il a été président de la Société Nationale des Chemins de fer belges du 13 octobre 1986 au 19 août 1991 et de la Société Nationale des Voies aériennes du 20 août 1991 au 30 avril 1993.

Du 30 juin 1992 au 12 juillet 1999, il a présidé le Conseil d'administration de SEFB Record Bank. En même temps, il a également poursuivi une carrière politique au sein du PRL (parti libéral): il a été élu conseiller communal à Liège en octobre 1988 et y est président du groupe PRL depuis début 1995.

En 1991, il est devenu chef du groupe PRL de la Députation provinciale de Liège. En mai 1992, il a été élu vice-président du PRL. Il est devenu député à la Chambre des Représentants le 22 décembre 1992 et président du groupe PRL-FDF le 29 octobre 1995. En novembre 1995, il est devenu président de la Fédération provinciale et de l'Arrondissement de Liège du PRL, ultérieurement rebaptisé en MR.

Il a été désigné par le Roi Albert II comme Ministre des Finances le 12 juillet 1999, comme Vice-Premier Ministre le 18 juillet 2004 et comme Vice-Premier Ministre en charge de la Loterie nationale, de la Société Fédérale de Participations et d'Investissement et des entreprises d'assurances depuis le 23 décembre 2007. Il a présidé l'Eurogroupe (réunion des Ministres des Finances de la zone euro) du 1er janvier au 31 décembre 2001 et l'Ecofin (réunion des Ministres des Finances de l'Union européenne) du 1er juillet au 31 décembre 2001 et du 1er juillet au 31 décembre 2010.

A partir du 1er janvier 2002, il a présidé le G 10 réunissant les principaux Etats créanciers (Allemagne, Belgique, Canada, Etats-Unis, France, Grande-Bretagne, Italie, Japon, Pays-Bas, Suède et Suisse).

Il a présidé le Mouvement Réformateur (MR) du 11 octobre 2004 jusqu'au 14 février 2011.

Membre du bureau et trésorier de l'Internationale Libérale depuis le 14 mai 2005.

BELGIQUE / BELGIUM



Steven Vanackere

Vice-Premier Ministre, Ministre des Affaires étrangères & des Réformes institutionnelles

Depuis le 25 novembre 2009, Steven Vanackere est Vice-Premier Ministre, Ministre des Affaires étrangères et des Réformes institutionnelles.

Auparavant, Steven Vanackere était Directeur général du Port de Bruxelles (1993-2000) et Directeur général adjoint de la STIB (2000-2005).

Dans les années nonante, il travailla en collaboration étroite avec le Président du CVP de l'époque, Herman Van Rompuy, et en 1995 il devint chef de cabinet du Ministre bruxellois Jos Chabert (1995-1999).

En 2004, Steven Vanackere fut élu en tant que Bruxellois au Parlement flamand.

Lors des élections communales de 2006, figurant sur une liste bilingue, Steven Vanackere fut élu échevin de l'Economie, du Commerce et des Affaires flamandes à Bruxelles-ville.

Du 28 juin 2007 à fin décembre 2008, Steven Vanackere était Ministre du Bien-être, de la Santé publique et de la Famille au sein du Gouvernement flamand. Le 30 décembre 2008 il a rejoint le Gouvernement fédéral comme Vice-Premier Ministre et Ministre de la Fonction publique, des Entreprises publiques et des Réformes institutionnelles, jusqu' au 25 novembre 2009.

BRESIL / BRAZIL



Valdemar Carneiro Leão

Undersecretary for Economic & Financial Affairs & G20 Sherpa

Joined the Brazilian Foreign Service in 1972 as a career diplomat. As DCM in London and Washington as well as in his capacity as Director-General of the Economic Affairs Bureau, he headed Brazilian Delegations to several bilateral and multilateral meetings in the WTO, GEF-World Bank, UNCTAD, OECD (Steel Committee) and in international commodity organizations in London (coffee, cocoa and sugar), among others.

Mr. Carneiro Leão recently took up the post of Undersecretary for Economic and Financial Affairs at the Foreign Ministry.

CANADA



Ted Menzies

Minister of State (Finance)

Ted was born and raised in Claresholm, Alberta, and has worked in agricultural and international trade.

He has held senior positions with the Grain Growers of Canada, Western Canadian Wheat Growers, the Canadian Agri-Food Trade Alliance, and the federal Agriculture, Food and Beverage Sectoral Advisory Group on International Trade, working on issues that were often international in scope yet had a direct impact on neighbours and all Canadians.

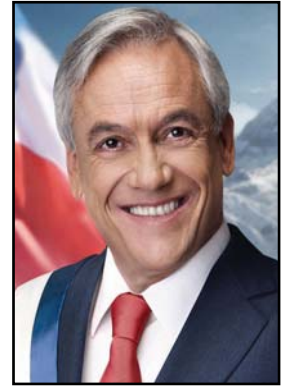
With his wife, Ted has operated Section One Farm for 30 years.

He is also active in community organizations. In particular, he has been President of the Claresholm Lions Club and also served Lions Club International in several roles.

He was first elected to the House of Commons in 2004. He served as Parliamentary Secretary to two ministers, the Minister of International Trade and the Minister of International Cooperation. In 2007, he became Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Finance. In 2011, he was sworn in to Cabinet as Minister of State (Finance).

Ted and his wife, Sandy, have two children and five grandchildren.

CHILI / CHILE



Sebastián Piñera

President

Sebastián Piñera was born on December 1st, 1949, in Santiago, Chile.

He studied at the Verbo Divino School. In 1968, he enrolled in the School of Economics at the Pontifical Catholic University of Chile. Among other distinctions, he received the “Raúl Iver Award” given to the best student of his class. Mr. Piñera began his studies in Economics at Harvard University in Boston, Massachusetts, where he received his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees.

In 1976 he worked for the Economic Commission for Latin America (ECLA) in a project on poverty in Latin America. Also, between 1971 and 1990, he was Professor of Economics at the University of Chile, the Pontifical Catholic University, and the University Adolfo Ibáñez.

In the 80s, Mr. Piñera entered the world of business and became a prominent entrepreneur, creating different organizations such as Bancard, S.A. and heading important companies in Chile.

Mr. Piñera began his political career in 1988 when democracy was restored in Chile, and in 1989 he was elected Senator for Santiago. He represented his Party in the Finance Commission of the Senate during an 8-year term, where his task was to improve the public budget as well as the Chilean living conditions. He excelled in reforming social programs, the tax system, and the increase of the minimum wage. Mr. Piñera also worked in the Commission for Health on the issue of assisted reproduction; on the Commission for Justice and Democracy in contributed to various initiatives related to the democratization of the Republic’s Constitution and he also was part of the Human Rights Commission. At that time, he stood out by condemning the human rights violations of the Military Government.

In 2001 he was elected President of Renovación Nacional, a centrist political party that represents the Chilean middle class and holds strong democratic foundations, holding that position until March, 2004. In May 14, 2005, he was elected by a large majority of his party to be its Presidential candidate that year, obtaining in January of 2006 46.50% of the run-off votes in that Chilean Presidential election.

In the 2010 election, Mr. Piñera was elected President of Chile, obtaining 51.60% of the votes in the second ballot as the head of the Coalición por el Cambio, coalition that unites the center-right and the largest part of the political center in Chile, achieving for that political sector a historical victory, after winning a democratic Presidential election for the first time in 50 years.

Mr. Piñera is married to Cecilia Morel and they have four children.

CHILI / CHILE



Felipe Larraín Minister of Finance

Felipe Larraín has been Minister of Finance of Chile since March 2010.

He obtained his Bachelor Degree in Business Administration from Universidad Católica de Chile and is Doctor of Economics from Harvard University.

He has been a Visiting Scholar for the Robert Kennedy Lecture at the Center for Latin American Studies at Harvard University, and Professor at the Institute of Economics of Universidad Católica de Chile.

He has published 10 books and written over 120 articles for professional journals in Canada, Latin America, USA, Europe and Asia. His book "Macroeconomics in the Global Economy", co-authored with Jeffrey Sachs, has been translated into several languages and has become one of the most sold macroeconomics texts in the Hispanic world.

Mr. Larraín is a well known international consultant and has advised the governments of Canada, Costa Rica, Venezuela and Peru, among others, and is member of the International Advisory Board of the Asian Development Bank.

The Secretary of State received several awards, among which the most relevant are the Raul Iver Award for the best Graduate Student of the School of Commercial Engineering of Universidad Católica de Chile, and the Commercial Engineer of the Year Award awarded by the Foundation School of Economics and Administrative Sciences of Universidad Católica de Chile.

Felipe Larraín was born in Santiago, is married and the father of five children.



Kim Hwang-sik

Prime Minister

Kim, Hwang Sik assumed office as the 41st Prime Minister of the Republic of Korea on 1 October 2010.

Before his appointment, Prime Minister Kim served as Chairman of the Korean Board of Audit and Inspection from 2008. During his term as Chairman, he also held the position as Chair of the UN/INTOSAI Platform on Public Accountability INTOSAI(International Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions), Secretary General of ASOSAI(Asian Organization of Supreme Audit Institutions) and was a member of the Governing Board of ASOSAI and INTOSAI. During his post, he is considered to have contributed to the improvement of the audit system in the Asian region by adopting best practices of transparency through more active exchanges among international audit institutions.

As a leading member of the Korean judiciary, Prime Minister Kim served as Justice of the Supreme Court from 2005 to 2008 and as Vice Minister of the National Court Administration in 2005. Prior to that, he served as a Judge for over 30 years in various major courts including the Gwangju District Court, the Seoul High Court, and the Seoul Criminal Court since starting his legal career in 1974.

Prime Minister Kim received his Bachelor's degree in Law from Seoul National University(1971) and also studied at Philipps University of Marburg in Germany(1978-79). He is the co-author of "The Interpretation of Civil Law (vol.1~19)".

Prime Minister Kim was born in Korea on 9 August 1948 and is married with 2 children.

COREE / KOREA



Kim Jong-hoon Minister for Trade

Mr. Kim Jong-hoon assumed the position of Minister for Trade (of the Republic of Korea) in August 2007. His notable achievements prior to his appointment include the major Free Trade Agreements between Korea and the European Union and the United States, respectively. As the Chief Negotiator for the Korea-United States FTA in February 2006, Mr. Kim has been Korea's front man for promoting free trade.

His lifelong career as a professional diplomat began in November 1974. Since then he has served abroad on numerous occasions and locations as, to name a few, APEC SOM Chair (August 2004), Consul-General of the Consulate General in San Francisco (February 2002), Minister of the Korean Permanent Mission in Geneva (March 1998), and Counsellor of the Korean Embassies in the United States (February 1993) and Canada (December 1987). As a young diplomat he was also stationed in the Korean Embassies in the French Republic and Burkina Faso.

Moreover, Mr. Kim's positions at the headquarters of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade were the following: Director-General of the Bilateral Trade Bureau (June 2000), Deputy Director-General of the International Economic Affairs Bureau (February 1997), and Director for the Protocol Division (November 1991), the International Affairs Bureau, and Seoul Olympic Organization Committee (July 1985).

Mr. Kim graduated from Yonsei University in 1975, majoring in Business Administration.

Mr. Kim was born in Korea on May 5, 1952, and is married with one son.



Yim Jong-Yong

Vice Minister of Strategy & Finance

Mr. Yim Jong-Yong has served as Vice Minister of Strategy and Finance since April, 2010. Taking charge of macroeconomic policy, he played an essential role for Korea's economic recovery after the breakout of global financial turmoil and successful organization of G20 Seoul Summit.

Prior to his appointment, he served as Secretary to the President for Economic and Financial Affairs in the Office of the President, implementing economic policies in close coordination with related agencies from February 2009 to April 2010.

He spent most of his career at the Ministry of Finance as Deputy Minister for Planning & Coordination, Director General for Economic Policy Bureau, Deputy Director General for Financial Policy Bureau, Director for Overall Economic Policy Division and Director for Financial Policy Division. Through working in various posts, he contributed to formulating economic and financial policies and presenting the government's vision and policy direction through shaping economic policy direction, and in particular, amid deteriorating external conditions, due to the sub-prime mortgage crisis in the United States and the rise in oil prices, he took the lead in ensuring a stable economic growth and stabilizing the livelihood of ordinary citizens through various measures. And in the wake of the global financial crisis, he focused his efforts on coping with the difficulties and reviving the economy. He also served as Minister Counselor for Economic Affairs at the Korean Embassy in the United Kingdom from May 2004 to November 2006.

Mr. Yim graduated from Yonsei University in 1982, majoring in Economics and earned a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Graduate School of Public Administration of Seoul National University in 1984. Further, he obtained a Master's Degree in Economics from University of Oregon in 1998.

COREE / KOREA



Min Dong-seok

2nd Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Vice Minister Min Dong-seok joined the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MOFAT) in 1979 after graduating from Hankuk University of Foreign studies in 1977. Apart from three appointments abroad—in 1993 at the Korean Embassy in the United States, in 1999 as Program Management Officer at UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, and as Consul General in 2004 at the Korean Consulate General in Texas, USA—Minister Min has remained at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Seoul throughout his career.

In 1996, he was appointed Director at the International Trade Organizations Division of MOFAT and then Director of Planning and Budget in 1998. He was instrumental as Deputy Minister for Agricultural Trade Policy at the Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry in 2006 as the High-level Negotiator for Negotiations on Agriculture for the Korea-U.S. Free Trade Agreement. He had also played an important role as the Chief Negotiator for Trade in Services for the Doha Development Agenda in 2001. In October 2010, he was appointed 2nd Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. Vice Minister Min is married with two children.

COREE / KOREA

Yook Dong-han

Vice Minister, Prime Minister's Office



Vice Minister Yook Dong-han started his career with the Ministry of Finance and Economy in 1982, rising to the position of Director-General of the Planning and Budget Bureau in 2003. He joined the Prime Minister's office in 2009, first as Deputy Minister for National Agenda and since 2010 as Vice Minister for Government Policy. Beginning in 2004 he served in the President's Office as Assistant Secretary to the President for Policy. He holds an M.A. in Political Science from the University of Wisconsin as well as a B.A. in Economics from Hanyang University in Seoul.

DANEMARK / DENMARK



Lene Espersen

Minister for Foreign Affairs

Lene Espersen was born on 26 September 1965 in Hirtshals, Northern Jutland, and is the daughter of shipowner Ole Peter Espersen and bookkeeper Inger Tanggaard Espersen.

MSc (economics) 1990 from Aarhus University.

Member of Parliament for the Conservative Party in Northern Jutland from 21 September 1994. General Policy Spokesperson for a number of years and member of the Parliamentary Conservative Party Leadership from 1999 to 2011. Leader of the Conservative Party from 2008-2011.

Lene Espersen is married to Danny Feltmann Espersen and the couple has two sons (Marcus 2001, and Robert 2003)

Career:

Minister for Foreign Affairs 2010 -

Minister for Economic and Business Affairs 2008 - 2010

Leader of The Conservative Party 2008 - 2011

Minister of Justice 2001 - 2008

Member of Parliament 1994

Systems Designer at the Banking Computer Centre, Roskilde, 1992 - 1994. Consultant.

Market Analyst at Aarhus Stiftsbogtrykkeri 1991 - 1992

Candidate for the European Parliament 1994

Vice-chairman of Danish Conservative Students 1986 - 1988

Student representative in the Council of the Department of Economics, Aarhus 1985 – 1989

DANEMARK / DENMARK



Mr. Claus Grube

Ambassador, Permanent Secretary of State
Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark

Mr. Claus Grube was born on 14 December 1950 in Copenhagen. He is graduated in Law from the Copenhagen University (1976).

Mr. Claus Grube is married and has three children.

Professional career:

Permanent Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, 2009-

Ambassador, Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the EU, Brussels, 2003

Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Representation of Denmark to the EU, Brussels, 2000

Under-Secretary of the North Group, Ambassador, Ministry of Foreign Affairs (EU-internal policies, EU-enlargement, Central and Eastern Europe, Nordic co-operation and bilateral relations with European countries), 1997

Head of Department, North Group 3rd Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1994

Deputy Head of Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1993

Counsellor (Economic Affairs), Paris, 1988

Personal assistant to the State Secretary for Foreign Economic Affairs, 1984

Head of Section, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 1983

Secretary of Embassy, Permanent Mission of Denmark to the EC, Brussels, 1979

Entered the Danish Foreign Service, 1977

Deputy judge, Ministry of Justice, 1976

EGYPTE / EGYPT



Khalid Ibrahim Emara

Deputy-Assistant Foreign Minister for International Economic Affairs

Khalid graduated from the American University in Cairo (AUC) in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts (with honors) majoring in Political Science. He then joined the Egyptian Foreign Service in 1988 to start his career as a diplomat with on the job trainings including visits to Paris, Tokyo, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Brussels and the U.S.

During the past seventeen years, Khalid served on three international missions with the Egyptian Embassy in Rome as Second Secretary (1992-1995), the Egyptian Embassy to Belgium as First Secretary (1997-2001) and as a Senior Counsellor at the Egyptian Permanent Mission to the United Nations in Geneva (2005-2009). On the national level, he served as a Third Secretary responsible for the European Desk at the International Economic Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as a Member of the E.U. Egyptian Partnership Unit designated by the Prime Minister to negotiate the Association Agreement with the European Union, First Secretary, Deputy Head of European Department at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, besides serving twice as adviser and Senior Counsellor to Egypt's current and previous Foreign Ministers.

Khalid also utilized his energies towards strengthening his professional background and received his Master of Arts in European Integration in 1990 from the International Institute for Public Administration, France. In 1999, he earned a Diploma in Preservation of Cultural Heritage from Maastricht Summer University, Holland. A year later, he received a Diploma in European Institutional Reforms from the same university. Between 2—2-2003 Khalid was a Fellow at Harvard University, Weatherhead Centre for International Affairs, where he conducted research on security and foreign policy issues and lectured on several subjects ranging from civilizational dialogue to political culture in the Middle East and the Euro-Mediterranean partnership.

Khalid wrote many publications on E.U. Mediterranean policy, European Integration, Leadership in the Arab World, E.U.-Egypt Partnership Agreement, American Foreign and Security Policy, and Dialogue Between Civilization. He also lectured at Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Boston University, MIT, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, the University of Florence, Bocconi University in Milan, European Institute in Florence, Rome University, and the European Institute in Brussels.

Khalid returned to Cairo in 2009 to take the new responsibility of Deputy-Assistant Foreign Minister, in charge of international economic Affairs.



Elena Salgado Méndez

Vice President, Minister of Economy & Financial Affairs

In April 2009, Elena Salgado was named the Vice President and Minister of Economy and Financial Affairs of Spain. Previously, Salgado was the Minister of Public Administration from July 2007 to April 2009. Salgado has also served as the Minister of Health and Consumer Affairs from April 2004 to July 2007.

Prior to holding these Ministerial positions in the Spanish government, Salgado held top-level managerial posts in various private companies in the technology sector, including Chair of the Board of Directors of Telegate Spain and Chief Executive Officer of Vallehermoso Telecom.

From 1966 to 1972 Salgado studied at the Polytechnic University of Madrid as an industrial engineer, specializing in energy and organization. She received her graduate degree in economic science from the University of Madrid in 1977 and her master's degree in business administration from the Escuela de Organización Industrial (EOI Business School) in 1973.

In 1987 Salgado was awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of Military Merit in peace time and in 1996 she was awarded the Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit.

ESPAGNE / SPAIN



Alfredo Bonet

Secretary of State for External Trade

Alfredo Bonet, born in Palma de Mallorca in 1958, holds a degree in Economic and Business Sciences by the Complutense University of Madrid.

In 1984 he entered the Corps of Spanish civil servants specialised in Economy and Trade, and started his professional career in the foreign trade area of the Ministry of Economy and Finance. Later he was appointed Deputy Director-General for EU Trade Policy and Relations with GATT, in the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Tourism (1991-1993). He has been posted abroad twice, as Economic and Commercial Counselor to the Spanish Embassies, in Miami (1987-1991) and Milan (1993-1997). In the private sector, he was General Manager of the international consulting company Altair Asesores from 1997 to 2001. He returned to the public sector in 2001 to become Director-General for Promotion at the Spanish Institute for Foreign Trade (ICEX), until he was appointed Secretary-General for Foreign Trade at the Ministry of Industry, Tourism and Trade in May 2004. In July 2010 he is assigned Secretary of State for External Trade, in the Ministry of Industry, Tourism and Trade.

ESTONIE / ESTONIA



Andrus Ansip Prime Minister

Chairman of the Reform Party and Prime Minister Andrus Ansip has led Estonia's government since April 2005, when a new coalition was formed between elections. Before this he held the portfolio of Minister of Economic Affairs and Communications.

As the leader of the party that won the elections, Andrus was asked to form a government in both 2007 and 2011.

From 1998 to 2004 Andrus held the post of Mayor of Tartu. His previous service record goes back to private businesses operating in trade and banking, but he was also one of the founders of Radio Tartu.

He is a chemist by education – he graduated from Tartu State University in 1979 and later studied agronomy at the Estonian Academy of Agriculture.

In terms of hobbies, Andrus enjoys sport, particularly skiing and cycling. Whenever possible, he takes part in local and international ski marathons.

Andrus is married and a father to three daughters.

ESTONIE / ESTONIA



Urmas Paet Minister of Foreign Affairs

Urmas Paet has been the Minister of Foreign Affairs since April 2005. He has continued in this post in Prime Minister Andrus Ansip's cabinet since the elections in 2007 and 2011.

Before becoming Foreign Minister, Urmas served as Minister of Culture for two years.

From 1999 to 2003, Urmas served as the elder of the Tallinn city district of Nõmme. Before this he worked as a journalist with Estonian Radio and in the news office of the Postimees daily newspaper.

Urmas majored in Political Science, graduating from the University of Tartu in 1996 and from the Master's Programme in International Relations at the University of Oslo the same year.

In his spare time he likes to attend the theatre, watch movies and go skiing and cycling.

In addition to Estonian, Urmas speaks Russian, English and German.

Urmas is married and is a father to two daughters.



Ron Kirk

United States Trade Representative

Ambassador Ron Kirk is the United States Trade Representative (USTR).

He is a member of President Obama's Cabinet and serves as the President's principal trade advisor, negotiator, and spokesperson on trade issues.

Specific initiatives include working to conclude and advance bilateral free trade agreements with Korea, Colombia, and Panama, advancing the ambitious regional Trans-Pacific Partnership talks, and sustaining serious U.S. engagement in the Doha round of multilateral negotiations at the World Trade Organization. He has previously served two terms as the first African-American mayor of Dallas. Prior to becoming mayor, he was Texas Secretary of State under Governor Ann Richards. He has practiced law as a partner in the international law firm Vinson & Elkins, LLP. He graduated from Austin College and earned his law degree at the University of Texas School Of Law.

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Austan Goolsbee

Chairman of Council of Economic Advisers

Austan Goolsbee is the chairman of President Barack Obama's Council of Economic Advisers, chief economist of the President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board, and a member of the Cabinet. Mr. Goolsbee is on leave from the University of Chicago where he researched tax policy, American industry, technology and innovation as the Robert P. Gwinn Professor of Economics. Prior to joining the Obama Administration, he was a member of the Panel of Economic Advisers to the Congressional Budget Office, a research associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, and a research fellow at the American Bar Foundation. He was also a member of the U.S. Census Advisory Committee. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in economics from Yale University in 1991 and his PhD in economics from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1995.

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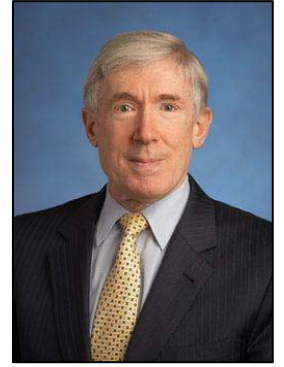


Karen Kornbluh

Ambassador of the United States to the OECD

Karen Kornbluh was sworn in as Ambassador and U.S. Permanent Representative to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development in August, 2009. Ambassador Kornbluh served as Policy Director for then-Senator Barack Obama from 2005-2008 and authored the 2008 party platform. Previously, she was Deputy Chief of Staff at the U.S. Treasury Department; Assistant Chief of the Federal Communications Commission's International Bureau; Director of the Commission's Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs; and economic policy advisor to Senator John Kerry. She began her career as an economic forecaster and management consultant to US manufacturing companies. Ambassador Kornbluh received her Masters from Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government and her B.A. from Bryn Mawr College.

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Robert D. Hormats

Under Secretary of State for Economic, Energy & Agricultural Affairs

Bob Hormats is the Under Secretary of State for Economic, Energy and Agricultural Affairs. He was formerly vice chairman of Goldman Sachs (International). He served as Assistant Secretary of State for Economic and Business Affairs from 1981 to 1982, Ambassador and Deputy U.S. Trade Representative from 1979 to 1981, and Senior Deputy Assistant Secretary for Economic and Business Affairs at the Department of State from 1977 to 1979. He also served as a senior staff member for International Economic Affairs on the National Security Council from 1969 to 1977. He earned a BA from Tufts University in 1965, a MA in 1966, and a PhD in International Economics in 1970 from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy.



Christine Varney

Assistant Attorney General for Antitrust

Christine Varney is the Assistant Attorney General for the Antitrust Division of the United States Department of Justice. Immediately prior to her appointment, Ms. Varney was a partner in the Washington, D.C. office of Hogan & Hartson, where she served in a dual capacity as a member of the firm's Antitrust Practice Group and head of the firm's Internet Practice Group. From 1994 to 1997, she served as a Federal Trade Commissioner at the Federal Trade Commission, and was a leading official on a wide variety of Internet and competition issues. Prior to becoming a Federal Trade Commissioner, Ms. Varney was an Assistant to the President and Secretary to the Cabinet. She received her J.D. from Georgetown University in 1986, an M.P.A. from Syracuse University in 1978, and a B.A. from the State University of New York at Albany in 1977.

ETATS-UNIS / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Miriam Sapiro

Deputy U.S. Trade Representative to Europe, the Middle East & the Americas

Miriam E. Sapiro is the Deputy U.S. Trade Representative to Europe, the Middle East and the Americas. She also supervises Services and Investment, Small Business, Market Access, and Industrial Competitiveness, Intellectual Property and Innovation, and the Washington, DC office of WTO and Multilateral Affairs. She founded and was President of the consulting firm Summit Strategies International. She has served as Chairman of the Coalition of Service Industries' China E-Commerce Committee and as Vice-President of the American Society of International Law. She served as Special Assistant to President Clinton and Counselor for Southeast European Stabilization and Reconstruction. Prior to this, she was Director of European Affairs at the National Security Council. She received her J.D. from New York University School of Law, where she was an editor of the Law Review, and her B.A. from Williams College.

ETATS-UNIS / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Michael Punke

U.S. Ambassador & Permanent Representative to the WTO

Michael Punke serves as Deputy United States Trade Representative and U.S. Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva, Switzerland. He has served as Senior Policy Advisor at the Office of the United States Trade Representative, at the White House as Director for International Economic Affairs with a joint appointment to the National Security Council and the National Economic Council, and he was International Trade Counsel to Senator Max Baucus, then Chairman of the Finance Committee's International Trade Subcommittee. Additionally, he was a partner at the Washington, D.C., office of Mayer, Brown, Rowe & Maw.

Since January 2010, he has served as a consultant to the U.S. Trade Representative Punke graduated from George Washington University and Cornell Law School, where he was elected Editor-in-Chief of the Cornell International Law Journal.

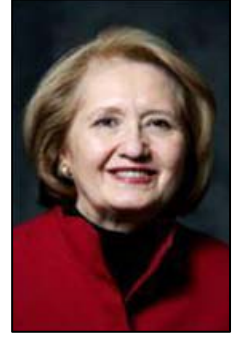
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Sandra Polaski

Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs

Sandra Polaski is the Deputy Undersecretary for International Affairs at the Department of Labor, where she heads the Bureau of International Labor Affairs (ILAB). Ms. Polaski earlier served as the US Secretary of State's Special Representative for International Labor Affairs. She was responsible for incorporating labor and livelihood issues into US foreign policy under Secretaries Madeleine Albright and Colin Powell. Previously, she was the Director of Economic and Labor Law Research for the Secretariat of the North American Commission on Labor Cooperation, a NAFTA-related body. Ms. Polaski holds M.A. degrees from Johns Hopkins University School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) and the University of Wisconsin and a B.A. from the University of Dayton.



Melanne Verveer

Ambassador-at-Large, Department of State's Office on Global Women's Issues

Melanne Verveer is the Ambassador-at-Large for the Department of State's new office on Global Women's Issues. She coordinates foreign policy issues and activities relating to the political, economic and social advancement of women around the world. She most recently served as Chair and Co-CEO of Vital Voices Global Partnership, an international nonprofit she co-founded which invests in emerging women leaders and works to expand women's roles in generating economic opportunity, promoting political participation, and safeguarding human rights. Prior to this, she served as Assistant to the President and Chief of Staff to the First Lady in the Clinton Administration and was chief assistant to then-First Lady Hillary Clinton. Ambassador Verveer has a B.A. and M.A. from Georgetown University.

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Jose W. Fernandez

Assistant Secretary of State for Economic, Energy and Business Affairs

Mr. Fernandez is the Assistant Secretary of State for Economic, Energy and Business Affairs. Previously, he was a partner in the New York office of Latham & Watkins, and Global Chair of the firm's Latin America practice. He has served on the Board of Trustees of Dartmouth College, the Board of Directors of Accion International, and the Council of the Americas. He has been chair of the American Bar Association's Inter-American Law Committee and the Committee on Inter-American Affairs of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, and co-chair of the Cross Border M&A and Joint Ventures Committee of the New York State Bar Association. Mr. Fernandez has a B.A. from Dartmouth College and a J.D. from the Columbia University School of Law.

ETATS-UNIS / UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Rajiv Shah

Administrator, United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Dr. Rajiv Shah is the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID). Previously, he served as Under Secretary for Research, Education and Economics and as Chief Scientist at the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Before this, he was director of Agricultural Development in the Global Development Program at the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, where he also served as the Foundation's director of Strategic Opportunities and as deputy director of policy and finance for the Global Health Program. He helped develop the foundation's Global Development Program, and helped create both the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa and the International Finance Facility for Immunization. Shah earned a M.D. from the University of Pennsylvania Medical School, a M.S. from the Wharton School of Business, attended the London School of Economics and is a graduate of the University of Michigan.

FEDERATION DE RUSSIE / RUSSIAN FEDERATION



Elvira Nabiullina

Minister of Economic development

Was born on October, 29th, 1963.

In 1986 has ended the Moscow state university it. M.V.Lomonosova on a speciality "Economist".

1991-1992 - the main expert of management of Standing committee of Board of the Scientifically-industrial union of the USSR concerning an economic reform, Moscow.

1992-1994 - the main expert, the adviser of management of the Russian union of industrialists and businessmen concerning economic policy.

1994-1994 - the adviser of Expert institute of the Russian union of industrialists and businessmen.

1994-1995 - deputy head of Department of an economic reform - the head of department of state regulation of economy of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation.

1995-1996 - the deputy chief of Department of an economic reform of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation.

1996-1997 - The chief of Department of an economic reform of the Ministry of Economics of the Russian Federation, a member of board of Ministry of Economics of Russia.

1997-1998 - the deputy minister of economy of the Russian Federation.

1998-1999 - the vice-president of board AK " Promtorgbank".

1999-1999 - executive director of the Euroasian rating service.

1999-2000 - vice-president of Fund " Center of strategic development ".

2000-2003 - the First deputy minister of economic development and trade of the Russian Federation.

2003-2005 - the President of Fund " Center of strategic development ".

2005-2007 - The head of Advisory council of Organizing committee on preparation and maintenance of presidency of the Russian Federation in " Group of eight " in 2006, the head of research group of the Center of strategic development, the head of Advisory council at Advice on realization of priority national projects and the demographic policy at the President of the Russian Federation.

Since September, 24th, 2007 - Minister of economic development and trade of the Russian Federation.

May 2008 - Minister of economic development of the Russian Federation.

FEDERATION DE RUSSIE / RUSSIAN FEDERATION



Andrey Ivanovich Denisov First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

Born in 1952

In 1974 graduated from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO). Has a Ph.D. in Economics

Languages: Chinese, English

He has been working in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Russia since 1992 and held various diplomatic posts in the central office of the MFA and abroad.

1997 - 2000 - Director, Department of Economic Cooperation

2000 - 2001 – Ambassador of the Russian Federation to the Arab Republic of Egypt

2001 – 2004 – Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

2004 - 2006 – Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations in New York, USA,
Representative of the Russian Federation to the Security Council of the United Nations

Since 08.04.2006 - First Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation

Has state awards

Diplomatic rank – Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary

Married with a daughter

FEDERATION DE RUSSIE / RUSSIAN FEDERATION



Alexander Vyacheslavovich Fedorov

First Deputy Minister of Justice

Born on March 28, 1956 in Leningrad.

Graduate of the Higher School of KGB of the USSR, Investigation Department (1981), Interdisciplinary Institute of Advanced Training at St. Petersburg State University of Economics and Finance (1992), Northwest Academy of State Service (2001).

Worked as a laboratory technician at the Research and Development Institute of the Earth's crust at Leningrad State University (1973 - 1974), served in the Navy (1974 - 1977). From 1977 till 2000, held multiple positions within different agencies of the KGB of the USSR and the FSC of Russia.

Since 2000 – Deputy, since 2001 – First Deputy Plenipotentiary of the President of the Russian Federation in Northwestern Federal District.

In June 2003, was appointed State Secretary – Vice Chairman State Committee of the Russian Federation for Combating Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances, since March 2004 – Deputy Director, since December 2005 – State Secretary – Deputy Director of the Federal Drug Control Service of the Russian Federation

On January 13, 2009, was appointed First Deputy Minister of Justice of the Russian Federation.

Combines practical work with teaching and scientific work. Candidate of Legal Sciences, professor, Distinguished Lawyer of the Russian Federation. Author of more than 250 scientific works on the issues of criminal law, criminal procedure, and operational investigations. Winner of the Award of the Government of the Russian Federation in Education in 2003. Editorial board member of multiple law magazines, takes active part in the work of the Association of Lawyers of Russia. Received state awards, including Order of Honor, Medal of the Order of Merit for the Motherland of the second degree, and Order of Friendship. Honorary employee of drug enforcement agencies.

Married, has a son.

FEDERATION DE RUSSIE / RUSSIAN FEDERATION



Rinat Guizatouline

Vice-ministre des ressources naturelles de la Fédération de Russie

Né le 28 juillet 1980 à Ourjourn, dans la région de Kirov au nord-est de Moscou, Rinat Guizatouline est diplômé en histoire et politologie de l'Université de Perm. Après une carrière de journaliste entre 1998 et 2004, y compris au sein du quotidien économique national Kommersant, il entre au Ministère des ressources naturelles en qualité de chef du Service de presse. En 2008, il devient directeur du Département de la politique publique et de la régulation en matière de protection de l'environnement et de sécurité écologique du Ministère des ressources naturelles avant d'être désigné en avril 2011 Vice-ministre des ressources naturelles.

FINLANDE / FINLAND



Paavo Väyrynen

Minister for Foreign Trade & Development

Dr. Paavo Väyrynen has worked as a Minister for Foreign Trade and Development since April 2007. He represents the Centre Party. He has worked as a politician since 1970 when he was elected as a Member of Parliament for the first time. He has worked as a Minister of Education, a Minister of Labour and four times –altogether over ten years - as a Minister for Foreign Affairs.

In 1995-2007 he was a Member of European Parliament.

In 1980-1990 he was the leader of the Centre Party. His educational background is Doctor of Social Sciences. He has published a number of books and political articles during his career.

FINLANDE / FINLAND



Esko Hamilo

Under-Secretary of State for External Economic Affairs

Mr. Esko Hamilo is Under-Secretary of State for External Economic Affairs in the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland. Mr. Hamilo has dealt with a wide range of foreign policy issues during his career. He has gathered particular expertise in the fields of trade policy and European affairs.

Having graduated with a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Helsinki Mr. Hamilo entered the Ministry for Foreign Affairs in 1972. In addition to postings in Marseille, London, Paris (OECD) and Brussels (EC) he has served as the Ambassador of Finland to Australia (Canberra) in 1996-2001 and to France (Paris) in 2001-2005.

In the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Hamilo has served, among other assignments as Deputy Director-General for Political Affairs (1992-96), non-resident Ambassador (Asia) in the Department of Americas and Asia (2005-2007) and since 1.8.2010 as Under-Secretary of State for External Economic Affairs.

From 2007 to 2010 he served as Under-Secretary of State at the Prime Minister's Office.

FRANCE



François Fillon

Premier ministre

François Fillon est né le **4 mars 1954** au Mans (Sarthe).

Marié avec Pénélope Clarke (Galloise) en 1980

5 enfants : Marie, Charles, Antoine, Edouard, Arnaud

Fonctions ministérielles

Ministre de l'Éducation nationale, de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche, de 2004 à 2005

Ministre des Affaires sociales, du Travail et de la Solidarité, de 2002 à 2004

Ministre délégué chargé de la Poste, des Télécommunications et de l'Espace, de 1995 à 1997

Ministre des Technologies de l'information et de la Poste, 1995

Ministre de l'Enseignement supérieur et de la Recherche, de 1993 à 1995

Fonctions politiques

Conseiller politique de Nicolas Sarkozy, président de l'UMP de 2004 à 2007

Membre fondateur de l'Union en Mouvement, 2002

Président de l'association France.9, depuis 2002

Conseiller politique du RPR, de 1999 à 2001

Porte-parole de la commission exécutive du RPR, 1998

Secrétaire national du RPR, chargé des fédérations, en 1997

Fonctions électives

Elu député de la Sarthe en juin 2007

Elu sénateur de la Sarthe en 2004, réélu en 2005

Elu député de la Sarthe en 1981, réélu en 1986, 1988, 1993, 1997 et 2002

Conseiller régional de 2004 à 2007

1er vice-président du conseil régional des Pays de la Loire, de 2002 à 2004

Président du Conseil régional des Pays de la Loire, de 1998 à 2002

Maire de Sablé, de 1983 à 2001

Président du conseil général de la Sarthe, de 1992 à 1998

Vice-président du conseil général de la Sarthe, de 1981 à 1992

Président de la communauté de communes de Sablé-sur-Sarthe, depuis 2001

Conseiller municipal de Solesmes (Sarthe), depuis 2001

Carrière

Chef du service des travaux législatifs et parlementaires au cabinet d'André Giraud, ministre de l'Industrie, 1981

Chef adjoint du cabinet de Joël Le Theule, ministre de la Défense, 1980

Chef adjoint du cabinet de Joël Le Theule, ministre des Transports, de 1978 à 1980

Assistant parlementaire de Joël Le Theule, député de la Sarthe, de 1976 à 1977

Stage à l'Agence France-Presse (Paris), 1976

Etudes

DEA de Droit Public à l'université René Descartes (Paris), 1977

Maîtrise de Droit Public à l'université du Maine (Le Mans), 1976

Ouvrage

La France peut supporter la vérité, Editions Albin Michel, 2006

FRANCE

Alain Juppé

Ministre des Affaires étrangères et européennes

Né le 15 août 1945 à Mont de Marsan (Landes)
Etudes secondaires au Lycée Victor-Duruy de Mont de Marsan
Lauréat du concours général des lycées et collèges (Français-Grec)
Elève de l'École Normale Supérieure (Lettres). Agrégé ès lettres classiques
Diplômé de l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris
Elève de l'École Nationale d'Administration
Service militaire comme aspirant, puis sous-lieutenant de l'armée de l'air
Colonel de la réserve citoyenne de l'armée de l'air

Son parcours

- ▶ **1972 à 1976** : Inspecteur des Finances affecté au service de l'Inspection Générale des Finances
- ▶ **1976** : Chargé de mission au Cabinet de M. Jacques Chirac, Premier Ministre
- ▶ **1976 à 1978** : Conseiller technique au Cabinet du Ministre de la Coopération
- ▶ **1978 à 1979** : Chargé de mission auprès de M. le Maire de Paris
- ▶ **1978 à 1980** : Directeur Adjoint des Finances et des Affaires Economiques de la Ville de Paris
- ▶ **1980 à 1983** : Directeur des Finances et des Affaires Economiques de la Ville de Paris
- ▶ **1983 à 1995** : Adjoint au maire de Paris, conseiller du 18^e arrondissement
- ▶ **1986 à 1988** : Ministre délégué auprès du Ministre de l'Economie, des Finances et de la Privatisation, chargé du Budget
- Porte-parole du Gouvernement
- ▶ **1993 à 1995** : Ministre des Affaires Etrangères
- ▶ **1995 à 1997** : Premier Ministre
- ▶ **2007** : Ministre d'Etat, ministre de l'Écologie, du Développement et de l'Aménagement durables
- ▶ **2010 (15 novembre)** : Ministre d'Etat, ministre de la défense et des anciens combattants
- ▶ **2011** : Ministre d'Etat, ministre des Affaires étrangères et européennes
- ▶ **1977 à 1978** : Délégué National aux études du RPR
- ▶ **1979 à 1981** : Membre du Conseil National du RPR
- ▶ **1981 à 1988** : Membre du bureau politique et de la commission exécutive du RPR
- ▶ **1988 à 1994** : Secrétaire général du RPR
- ▶ **1994 à 1997** : Président du RPR
- ▶ **2002 à 2004** : Président de l'UMP
- ▶ **1986** : Député de Paris
- ▶ **1988 à 1993** : Député de Paris
- ▶ **1997 à 2004** : Député de la Gironde
- ▶ **1995 à 2004** : Maire de Bordeaux
- ▶ **1995 à 2004** : Président de la Communauté Urbaine de Bordeaux
- ▶ **2006 (13 octobre)** : Réélu maire de Bordeaux
- ▶ **2008 (14 mars)** : Réélu maire de Bordeaux



FRANCE

Christine Lagarde

Ministre de l'Économie, des Finances & de l'Industrie



Née à Paris en 1956, Christine Lagarde a effectué ses études secondaires au Havre. Elle est diplômée de la Holton Arms School de Bethesda (Maryland), de la faculté de droit de l'Université Paris X-Nanterre et de l'Institut d'études politiques d'Aix-en-Provence.

Après avoir été admise au barreau de Paris, Christine Lagarde a rejoint le cabinet juridique international Baker & McKenzie comme avocat associé, spécialiste du droit de travail, du droit de la concurrence et des fusions-acquisitions. Membre du comité exécutif mondial de Baker & McKenzie en 1995, Madame Lagarde est devenue présidente de ce même comité en 1999 et présidente du comité stratégique mondial en 2004. Sous sa direction, Baker & McKenzie a augmenté son chiffre d'affaires de 50 % pour clôturer l'exercice 2004 à 1,3 milliard de dollars.

En 2009, Christine Lagarde a été classée 17^e dans la liste des femmes les plus influentes de la planète établie par le magazine FORBES et 5^e dans celle des femmes d'affaires européennes dressée par le Wall Street Journal Europe, figurant parmi les 100 meilleurs leaders du monde sélectionnés par Time. Le Financial Times lui a décerné le titre de meilleur ministre des finances de l'Union européenne de l'année et, selon un sondage réalisé pour RTL et Le Parisien, elle était la deuxième personnalité préférée des Français.

Appelée au gouvernement en juin 2005 par le Premier ministre Dominique de Villepin, Christine Lagarde a décidé de mettre ses compétences et son expérience professionnelle au service de son pays. Sa nomination au poste de ministre délégué du Commerce extérieur a permis à Madame Lagarde de déployer ses talents de négociatrice dans l'enceinte de l'Organisation mondiale du commerce et de promouvoir les exportations françaises. Après un bref passage en tant que ministre de l'Agriculture et de la Pêche au début du mandat du Président Nicolas Sarkozy, elle devient à l'occasion du remaniement de juin 2007 la première femme ministre de l'Économie et des Finances d'un pays membre du G 7. Sa nomination a été largement saluée par la presse internationale.

Depuis lors, Christine Lagarde est chargée de conduire la politique économique française dans le contexte de l'une des crises les plus graves depuis la deuxième guerre mondiale. Elle a également présidé de juillet à décembre 2008 le conseil ECOFIN qui réunit les Ministres des Finances de l'Union européenne. Pendant cette période et sous la direction de Madame Lagarde, des mesures sans précédent de soutien au système financier et aux économies européennes ont été adoptées.

Participant régulièrement aux réunions du G 20, Christine Lagarde contribue à favoriser une politique internationale de supervision et de régulation du secteur financier, notamment en matière de rémunérations et de juridictions non coopératives.

Mère de deux enfants, Madame Lagarde a été membre de l'équipe nationale de France de natation synchronisée. Elle a été décorée des insignes de chevalier de la Légion d'honneur en juillet 2000.



Pierre Lellouche

Secrétaire d'Etat au Commerce extérieur

Mr Lellouche a été nommé Secrétaire d'Etat chargé du Commerce extérieur le 16 novembre 2010.

Député et Conseiller de Paris, Avocat au barreau de Paris, Editorialiste, Spécialiste de géopolitique et de relations internationales, Pierre Lellouche est né en 1951 (en Tunisie).

Licencié (1972) et diplômé d'Etudes Supérieures (1973) de la Faculté de Droit de Paris (X), de l'Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Section Service public, 1973), il est également Masters (LLM) et Docteur en Droit (SJD) de la Faculté de Droit de Harvard (LLM 1974, SJD 1979).

Au lendemain de son service militaire dans l'Armée de terre, il rejoint Raymond Aron à la Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, au sein du Groupe d'études et de recherches sur les problèmes internationaux (GERPI).

A partir de 1979 et jusqu'en 1988, il est l'un des fondateurs et des principaux animateurs du nouvel Institut Français des Relations Internationales (IFRI). Il y est notamment responsable de l'ensemble du secteur politico-stratégique et Rédacteur en Chef adjoint de la revue Politique Etrangère. Parallèlement, il collabore pendant cette période en tant qu'éditorialiste à diverses publications, dont le Point, Newsweek, l'International Herald Tribune et Sekai Nippo (Tokyo). Il enseigne également à l'ENA, à l'INSEAD, dans différentes écoles de guerre et à l'Université de Galatasaray (Istanbul) en 2008.

Devenu en janvier 1989, Conseiller diplomatique de Jacques Chirac, Maire de Paris et Président du RPR, il poursuit également ses collaborations régulières dans la presse (éditorialiste au Point, au Figaro et à Newsweek), ainsi que ses activités d'enseignement et de consultant international.

Fonctions électives

Elu Député en 1993, Pierre Lellouche est réélu en 1997, en 2002 puis en 2007 (au premier tour) Député de la IVe circonscription de Paris (8e et 9e arr. de Paris). Il est Conseiller de Paris depuis mars 2001.

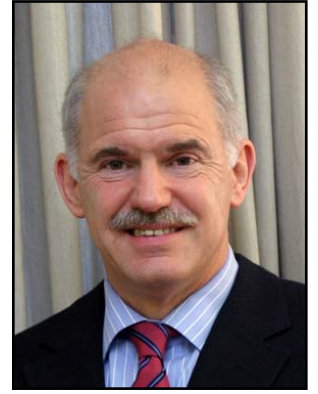
Membre de la Commission de la défense nationale et des forces armées de l'Assemblée Nationale, de la Délégation pour l'Union Européenne et Président du Groupe d'amitié parlementaire France-Inde, Pierre Lellouche préside la Délégation française à l'Assemblée parlementaire de l'OTAN. Entre 2004 et 2006, il a été Président de l'Assemblée Parlementaire de l'OTAN.

Membre du Bureau politique, Pierre Lellouche devient en avril 2004 secrétaire général adjoint chargé des Etudes à l'UMP, avant d'être nommé en janvier 2005 Délégué général à la défense du Mouvement, auprès de Nicolas Sarkozy. Emissaire du Gouvernement sur le dossier ITER, il a négocié l'implantation à Cadarache du réacteur expérimental avec l'Union européenne et les membres du consortium ITER (Etats-Unis, Japon, Corée du Sud, Russie et Chine). Il a été nommé Chargé de mission auprès du Président de la République sur les relations franco-turques (mars 2008). Il devient en mars 2009, Représentant spécial de la France pour l'Afghanistan et le Pakistan.

De juin 2009 à novembre 2010, il occupe la fonction de Secrétaire d'Etat chargé des Affaires européennes.

Pierre Lellouche est l'auteur de la Proposition de loi tendant à aggraver les peines punissant les infractions à caractère raciste ou antisémite, adoptée à l'unanimité par l'Assemblée Nationale le 10 décembre 2002. Cette loi dite « Loi Lellouche » a été promulguée le 3 février 2003. Il a présidé plusieurs missions d'information et a publié différents rapports parlementaires consacrés à la fiscalité du marché de l'art (1999 et 2003), la sécurité alimentaire (1999), la prolifération nucléaire (2000), aux questions de défense et de désarmement (2003), au statut et à la protection des journalistes en temps de guerre (2006).

GRECE / GREECE



George A. Papandreou Prime Minister

George A. Papandreou was born in St. Paul, Minnesota, USA, on June 16, 1952. He studied Sociology (BA) and Law (Honorary Doctorate) at Amherst College, USA, Sociology at Stockholm University, Sweden, Sociology and Development (MSc) at the London School of Economics, UK, and he acquired a Fellowship at the Center for International Affairs at Harvard University, USA. He speaks fluent English and Swedish. He was first elected as a Member of Parliament in 1981. He is President of the Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement (PASOK) and President of the Socialist International. He has served in various government posts, including Deputy Minister of Culture, Minister of Education, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Minister of Foreign Affairs. He was also responsible for overseeing Greece's successful bid to host the Olympic Games in Athens in 2004. Mr Papandreou has been honoured with numerous international awards in recognition of his efforts to promote peace and democracy worldwide.

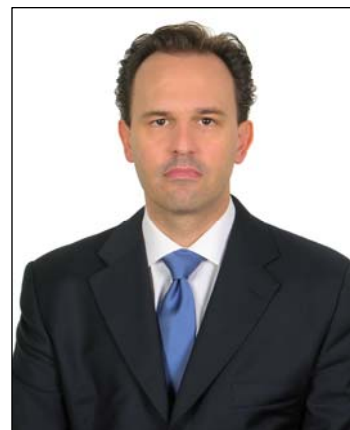
GRECE / GREECE



George Papaconstantinou Minister of Finance

George Papaconstantinou was born in Athens in 1961. He is an economist, holding a PhD in economics from the LSE. Between 1988 and 1998 he worked as senior economist at the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). In 1998 he was appointed advisor to former P.M. Costas Simitis on Information Society issues and then served as a Special Secretary for the Information Society (2000-2002). In 2003, during the Greek Presidency of the EU, he coordinated the "Lisbon Strategy" for economic and social reforms. Between 2004 and 2007, he served as economic advisor to PASOK's President George Papandreou. Between 2000 and 2007, he also taught economics at the Athens University of Economics and Business. In 2007, he was elected member of the Greek National Parliament, and was appointed PASOK's Press Spokesman in 2008. In the 2009 elections for the European Parliament, he headed PASOK's list of candidates and was elected MEP. In October 2009 he was appointed Finance Minister in the government formed after the national elections. He is married to writer Jacoline Vinke and has two sons.

GRECE / GREECE



Dimitris Droutsas Minister of Foreign Affairs

Dimitris P. Droutsas was born in Nicosia on 5 August 1968. In 1994, following completion of his studies at the University of Vienna School of Law, he embarked upon his academic career as assistant professor of European Law at the European Affairs Research Centre of the Vienna University of Economics (Forschungsinstitut für Europafragen der Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien). Concurrently with his academic obligations, in 1998-1999 Mr. Droutsas served as legal advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs (and, later, Chancellor) of the Federal Republic of Austria, Mr. Wolfgang Schüssel. In 1999 he returned to Greece as Special Advisor to Foreign Minister George Papandreou, focussing on Cyprus's accession to the EU and the Cyprus problem, Greek-Turkish political rapprochement, and the EU's major institutional issues. In March 2004 he was appointed Director of the Diplomatic Cabinet of the President of PASOK and the Socialist International, George A. Papandreou. In March 2008 he undertook the duties of PASOK Spokesperson to the international news media and regarding Mr. Papandreou's activities as President of the Socialist International. In May 2008 he was appointed PASOK Secretary for Foreign Policy & International Relations. He has published and lectured extensively, both in Greece and abroad, on European Law, International and European Commercial Law, and Foreign and Defense Policy. He speaks German, English, French and Russian. He is married to journalist Faye Karaviti.



Michalis Chrisochoidis

Minister for Regional Development & Competitiveness

Michalis Chrisochoidis was born on October 31, 1955 in Nissi, a town in Imathia, Northern Greece. He is a Law School graduate from the University of Thessaloniki. He embarked on his legislative duties in 1989 and serves now his ninth term in the Greek Parliament representing the 2nd district of Athens for PASOK. Before entering the Greek Parliament he also served for two years as a Prefect (1987-1989) in Karditsa. From 1994 to 1999, Chrisochoidis served as deputy Minister of Commerce (1994-1996) and deputy Minister of Development (1996-1999). He focused on prices control, market reform and enhancement of competition. His successful anti-inflation policy contributed to the achievement of Greece becoming a member of the European Monetary Union (EMU). From 1999 to 2003, Chrisochoidis served as Minister of Public Order (Homeland Security). He eradicated domestic terrorism in Greece (2002) in perfect timing before the Athens 2004 Olympic Games. Under his political guidance and supervision, the urban terrorist organization "November 17" was dismantled in an effective and bloodless manner that celebrated the rule of law. In 2003 he was appointed as Secretary General of PASOK. He focused on the party's organizational restructure and political reform heralded by the new PASOK President George Papandreou, and remained in this position until March 2005. After the government change-over of October the 4th, 2009, he was appointed Minister of Citizens' Protection. His 11-month term will be remembered for the re-organization of the Security Agencies, the reduction of domestic crime rates, the dismantlement of the terrorist organization "Revolutionary Struggle", the successful management of forest fires and an integrated National Action Plan for the Management of Migration Flows. Following the government reshuffle on September the 7th 2010, Michalis Chrisochoidis was appointed Minister for Regional Development and Competitiveness.

HONG KONG, CHINE / HONG KONG, CHINA



Gregory So Kam-leung

Acting Secretary for Commerce & Economic Development

Mr So, currently the Acting Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development, was appointed as Under Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development of the Government of Hong Kong Special Administrative Region on 1 June 2008. The Commerce and Economic Development Bureau is responsible for various policy matters including Hong Kong's external commercial relations, inward investment promotion, intellectual property protection, industry and business support, tourism, consumer protection, competition, broadcasting, film-related issues, creative industries, development of telecommunications, innovation and technology etc.

Before the appointment, Mr So was a practicing solicitor. He previously served as the Vice-chairman of the Democratic Alliance for the Betterment and Progress of Hong Kong; Board Member of Hong Kong Housing Authority; Council Member of Lingnan University; Member of Commission on Strategic Development; and member of the District Council of Wong Tai Sin District.

HONGRIE / HUNGARY



Viktor Orbán

Prime Minister

He was born on 31 May, 1963, in Székesfehérvár, and spent his childhood in Alcsútdoboz and Felcsút. In 1981, he graduated from the English section of Teleki Blanka Secondary School in Székesfehérvár. In 1983, as a student of Eötvös Lóránt University of Budapest, Faculty of Law, he was a founding member of the Law and Social Sciences College (from 1988, called Bibó István College). He graduated as a lawyer from Eötvös Lóránt University of Budapest, Faculty of Law in 1987. In 1987-1988, he worked as a trainee in sociology in the Research Institute of the Ministry of Food and Agriculture. In 1989-1990, he studied at Pembroke College, Oxford. He was a founding member of the Federation of Young Democrats (Fidesz), established on 30 March, 1988.

As a politician, he became well-known throughout the country and Europe for his speech of 16 June, 1989, held at the reburial ceremony of Prime Minister Imre Nagy and his companions, in which he demanded free elections and that all Soviet troops be withdrawn from Hungary. He was a member of the delegation of the Opposition Roundtable in the summer of 1989. He has been a Member of Parliament in Hungary since 1990. In 1990-1993, he was Chairman of the Fidesz Fraction in Parliament and was elected President of Fidesz afterwards. In 1998-2002, he was the Prime Minister of the coalition government led by Fidesz - Hungarian Civic Party. In 1999, he signed the Deed of Accession establishing Hungary's membership in NATO. In October, 2002, he was elected Vice-Chairman of the European People's Party.

In May, 2003, he was elected Chairman of Fidesz - Hungarian Civic Union, the successor of Fidesz - Hungarian Civic Party. The Union became the largest and best organized political force in Central Europe, gaining victory in the European Parliamentary elections in 2009 with a vast majority, and winning a two-thirds majority in the April, 2010 Parliamentary elections in Hungary. He was elected Prime Minister of Hungary by Parliament on 29 May, 2010. He holds numerous international awards.

He is married to lawyer Anikó Lévai, and they have five children.

He is a registered football player of FC Felcsút, and a founding member of the Ferenc Puskás Football Academy, established in April 2007.

HONGRIE / HUNGARY



György H. Matolcsy Minister for National Economy

He was born on 18 July 1955, in Budapest, where he spent his childhood, too.

In 1973, he graduated from secondary school and became student of the Karl Marx University of Economics in Budapest (Faculty of Industry) where he graduated from in 1977 as an economist.

In 1977-1978, he worked at the Institute of Industry Organization, where he participated in the structural development process of the government.

In 1978-1985, he worked at the Department of Industry of the Ministry of Finance, where he was involved in the financing issues of industrial firms and in the development of restructuring reforms for various enterprises. He also acted as a member of several working groups dealing with the organizational structure of the government.

In 1984, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree from the same university. (The title of his thesis: "Application of Holding Firms in Hungary")

In 1983-1986, he taught at the College for Accountancy in Budapest, then at the University of Economics (1989-1990).

In 1986-1987, he was researcher at the Institute of Finance Research, coordinating work on economic and political reform concepts. He also participated in the composition of a study titled "Reform and change" (Fordulat Reform).

In 1987-1990, he worked as the Entrepreneurial Director of Finance Research Plc. coordinating the restructuring of more than 50 enterprises, dealing with investment policy issues and carrying out studies on ownership reform. He participated in the establishment of the "HÍD" group (a group of Hungarian economists) and worked on socio-economic issues for the would-be Antall Cabinet.

In April-December 1990, he was advisor to the Prime Minister and acted as Parliamentary State Secretary, head of the Economic Policy Unit of the MPs, Secretary of the Economic Cabinet and head of the Privatization Policy Committee. One of his responsibilities was to evolve economic and privatization concepts for the Cabinet of Prime Minister Antall. (However, the programme was not adopted and therefore he resigned from his position as State Secretary.)

In January-October 1991, he was Founder and Director of the Institute for Privatization Studies of the Property Foundation in Budapest. His principal objectives in this job were to analyze processes and develop proposals on ownership reform, privatization and other key issues of the economic transformation, also assisting the strategic planning of the privatization process.

In 1991-1994, he served as Alternate Director of the EBRD. His responsibilities included, among others, participation in the decision-making process of the Board of Directors, representation of the main strategic interests of the Hungarian government and business community on various projects, and the assistance of the implementation of project plans.

In April-December 1994, he was Director of the EBRD where he represented the strategic interests of Hungary, the Czech Republic, the Slovak Republic and Croatia on the Board of the bank.

In 1995-1998, he was Director of the Institute for Privatization Studies of the Property Foundation.

In 1996-1997, he was lecturer at the University of Agriculture in Gödöllő and at the International Study Center in Budapest.

In July 1998-December 1999, He served as Director of the Economic Growth Institute and was member of the Prime Minister's Advisory Council. In January 2000-May 2002, he acted as Minister of Economic Affairs. In 2002-2010, he was Director of the Economic Growth Institute. In January 2004, he became President of the Foundation for Civic Hungary. Since May 2006 he has been a Member of Parliament. Since May 2006 he has been serving as Minister for National Economy. He is the author of two books. The first one, published in 1991 and titled "The Years of Convalescence", deals with the process of privatization. The second book appeared in 1998 with the title "Sokk vagy kevés?". In addition, he has published more than thirty articles and studies for the Hungarian specialist press and periodicals. He is married with two children.

HONGRIE / HUNGARY



Balázs Hidvéghi

Deputy State Secretary, Ministry for National Economy

He was born in Budapest on 28 November 1970. He grew up in Hungary. He now lives and works in Budapest again after spending 11 years abroad working in various positions. He is married to Brigitta Hidvéghi-Pulay, they have with 3 children (Júlia 2008, Regina 2009, Mátyás 2011). He has served as Deputy State Secretary responsible for International and European Union Affairs in the Ministry for National Economy since June 2010. His responsibilities include the supervision of Hungary's EU Presidency as well as coordinating the Hungarian government's involvement in the OECD.

EARLIER POSITIONS & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE RECORD

Deputy National Campaign Chief of Fidesz – Hungarian Civic Union (2008-2010)

Political Advisor & Delegation Secretary at the European Parliament Hungarian Delegation, European People's Party – European Democrats (2004-2008)

Educational Advisor, Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France (2001-2004)

Executive Director and Spokesman, CIVITAS International, Strasbourg, Washington, D.C. (1997-2000)

Executive Director, Civitas Association for Civic Knowledge and Skills, Budapest, Hungary (1995-1997)

Teacher of Literature & English Studies, ELTE Radnóti Miklós Training School (1994-1996)

EDUCATION

DEA in International Relations, History & Geopolitics (2003-2005, in French) Robert Schuman University, Strasbourg, France

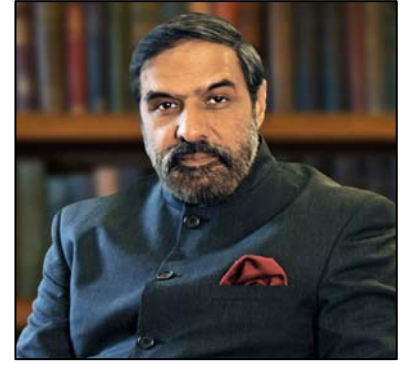
MA in English Studies (1989-1995) ELTE University of Budapest, Hungary

MA in Hungarian Studies (1989-1996) ELTE University of Budapest, Hungary

Certificate in Diplomacy & International Relations (1991), in English, University of Leeds, England, Institute for International Studies

LANGUAGES

Hungarian, English, French, Italian



Anand Sharma Minister of Commerce & Industry

Anand Sharma was born in Shimla in the state of Himachal Pradesh on January 5, 1953. He has been a prominent leader of the student and youth movement in India. He was one of the founders of NSUI, the student wing of the Indian National Congress. After serving as the state President for Himachal Pradesh and National General Secretary, he rose to become the President of the Indian Youth Congress in 1985. He has worked closely with late Prime Minister Mr. Rajiv Gandhi. He was educated at Shimla and was first elected to Parliament in 1984 at the age of 31.

Anand Sharma has been a prominent public face of the Indian National Congress and was Chief Spokesman of the party for six years. He was elevated to the Union Council of Ministers with responsibility for Foreign Affairs in January, 2006. He also assumed the additional charge of Union Minister of State for Information & Broadcasting in October 2008.

He has been given the responsibility in the Union Cabinet of India as Minister for Commerce and Industry and assumed charge on 29th May, 2009. As Commerce and Industry Minister he re-energized the stalled Doha round talks by convening a Ministerial meeting in Delhi. The India-ASEAN agreement and the India-Korea CECA were also signed during his tenure. As a measure of simplifying the Foreign Investment policy regime a consolidated FDI Policy document was released by him. Anand Sharma brings to his Ministerial assignment a vast reservoir of knowledge in international affairs. He has considerable experience in representing his party and India at diplomatic interactions at all levels and has either led or been a member of delegations to over fifty countries. He has been a key organizer of several major international conferences, including the First Non-Aligned Youth Conference in 1985 in New Delhi which was attended by delegates from 82 countries, and has been sent by the Prime Minister of India as Special Envoy for various sensitive assignments.

Mr. Sharma is recognized for his personal commitment to the struggle against Apartheid in South Africa. As President of the Indian Youth Congress, he was instrumental in convening an International Youth Conference against Apartheid in New Delhi to commemorate the 75th anniversary of the African National Congress in January 1987. In addition to being Chairman of the Indian Anti-Apartheid Movement, he also chaired the World Youth Action Against Apartheid. He was appointed to observe the South African Transition Process and Elections in 1994 by the Commonwealth Secretary-General.

Anand Sharma was proactively associated with the convening of the International Conference, as its Secretary General, to mark the centenary of the Satyagraha organized by the Indian National Congress in New Delhi in January, 2007. The Conference was attended by representative leadership delegations from 91 countries and 122 organizations. In pursuance of the Conference declaration, he moved India's Resolution, co-sponsored by 142 member-states, at the UN General Assembly on 15 June 2007, to observe Mahatma Gandhi's birthday on 2nd October as the International Day of Non-Violence. The resolution was adopted unanimously by the UNGA.

Anand Sharma is a lawyer by education and is well-conversant with parliamentary and legislative procedures and as a member of the panel of chairpersons for Rajya Sabha has presided over sittings of the House.

He is deeply involved in work relating to autism and disabilities.

Mr. Sharma has keen interest in sports and has been a member of the Sports Authority of India.

Anand Sharma is married to Dr. Zenobia Sharma. They have two children.

His other interests include cricket, hiking, travelling, reading books on philosophy and history; listening to Indian and western classical music.

He was conferred "The Order of the Companion of Volta", top Ghanaian civilian award by President J.A. Koufour on 10 November 2008 in recognition of his commitment to South-South Cooperation. He was also honoured with the "Commander of the National Order of Merit", highest civilian award by the President of Ivory Coast on 14 January 2009.



Mari Elka Pangestu Minister of Trade

Mari Pangestu obtained her Bachelor and Master of Economics from the Australian National University and her Ph.D in Economics from University of California, Davis, USA. Her fields of specialization are international trade and finance, with a regional focus on ASEAN, China, and the Asia Pacific.

Until now, Dr. Mari Pangestu was an external lecturer in International Economics at the University of Indonesia, Jakarta. Dr. Mari Pangestu is the founding member of Advisory Board on Global Competitiveness World Economic Forum (WEF). Dr. Mari Pangestu is currently a Member of the Network of Global Agenda Councils for the period of 2010-2011. The Councils represent the world's foremost integrated 'intelligence' network of innovative thinking and idea exchange on global issues. Dr. Mari Pangestu is also the Commissioner General of the Indonesia Pavilion at the World Expo Shanghai 2010.

Since 2004, she is the lead Indonesian negotiator at World Trade Organization (WTO). She is also currently Chair of Group 33, a group of developing countries at WTO that is championing the concept of SPs & SSM in the Doha Development Agenda of WTO.

Prior to assuming the responsibility as the Minister of Trade in October 2004, Dr. Pangestu was a member of the Governing Board of the Centre for Strategic and International Studies, Jakarta.

Dr. Mari Pangestu was also an Adjunct Professor at the Australia Japan Research Centre, the Australian National University, Canberra.

From 2002 to 2004, she was the Co-coordinator of the Task Force on Poverty and Development for the United Nations Millennium Project established by the UN Secretary General.

She also had been actively involved as the Program Coordinator in the Trade Forum of the Pacific Economic Cooperation Council (PECC), a private networking organization comprising of 23 member economies in the Asia Pacific region.

In 1992, together with her colleagues she established Yayasan Sejati, a foundation that supports initiatives in the socio-cultural and environmental area.

Dr. Mari Pangestu was an active member in international seminars, including regular participants at the World Economic Forum (WEF). She was also a member of Global Leaders for Tomorrow of WEF during 1999-2003.

Dr. Mari Pangestu is married to Adi Harsono and has two sons, Raymond Bima Harsono and Arya Alexander Harsono.

IRLANDE / IRELAND



Eamon Gilmore T.D.

Tánaiste (Deputy Prime Minister) & Minister for Foreign Affairs & Trade

Tánaiste, Government Minister and Leader of the Labour Party. Formerly trade union organiser.

Eamon Gilmore was appointed as Tánaiste (Deputy Prime Minister) and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade on the 9th March 2011.

He was first elected to the Dáil (Irish Parliament) in 1989 for the constituency of Dun Laoghaire. He has been re-elected at every subsequent general election.

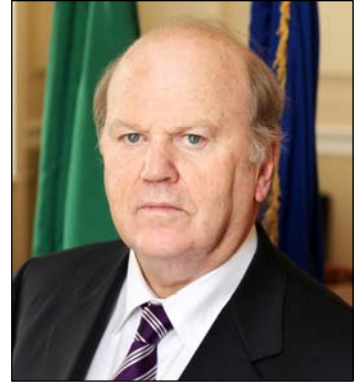
He served as Minister of State at the Department of the Marine between 1994 and 1997.

Prior to becoming Party Leader in September 2007 he was the Labour Party spokesperson on Environment, Housing and Local Government from 2002 to 2007.

He was a member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe from January 2005 to June 2007.

Minister Gilmore has a degree in Psychology from University College Galway, and is married with three children.

IRLANDE / IRELAND



Michael Noonan T.D. Minister for Finance

Minister Noonan was re-elected to Dáil Éireann (Irish Parliament) in 2011 and was appointed Minister for Finance on 9 March 2011.

First elected to the Dáil in 1981, Minister Noonan was Leader of Fine Gael from February 2001 until May 2002. He was appointed Fine Gael Finance Spokesperson in July 2010. He was re-elected to the Dáil Éireann in May 2002 and was on the Fine Gael Front Bench from 2004 until 2007. During this time Minister Noonan was also the party's spokesperson on Northern Ireland. Minister Noonan was the Fine Gael front bench spokesperson on Finance from 1997 to 2001 and was Minister for Health between 1994 and 1997. He held two different ministerial posts between 1986 and 1987, that of Minister for Industry, Commerce and Trade and Minister for Energy respectively. During Fine Gael's previous term in government Minister Noonan was Minister for Justice 1982-1986.

Minister Noonan was educated at St Patrick's Teacher Training College and University College Dublin. He is married with 5 children.

ISLANDE / ICELAND



Steingrímur J. Sigfússon Minister of Finance

Mr. Steingrímur J. Sigfússon became Minister of Finance on February 1st 2009.

Mr. Sigfússon is born at Gunnarsstadir in Thistilfjordur, a farm in the North-East part of the country, on August 4th 1955. He is married to Bergný Marvinsdóttir M.D. and they have four children, Sigfús, Brynjólfur, Bjartur and Vala.

Mr. Sigfússon is the chairman of the Left-Green Movement, a political party formally established in 1999 in order to create a joint forum for leftists and environmentalists.

Mr. Sigfússon graduated with a B.Sc. degree in geology from the University of Iceland in 1981. He was first elected to the Althingi for the People's Alliance in 1983 and has been a member of the Althingi since then.

Member of Althingi for the North Eastern Constituency 1983-2003 and for the Northeast Constituency since 2003.

Chairman of the Parliamentary group of the People's Alliance 1987-1988.

Member of the PACE Committee on Equal Opportunities for Women and Men 2008-2009 (Chairman since 2008).

Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs 1999-2009; Member of the Committee on Social Affairs 1999-2003;

Member of the Committee on Economy and Trade 1991-1999; Member of the Committee on Fisheries 1991-1998

(Chairman 1995-1998); Member of the Althingi Special Committee on Constitutional Affairs 2004-2005; Member of the

Icelandic Delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe 2007-2009; Member of the Icelandic

Delegation to the Nordic Council 1996-2005 and 2006-2007; Member of the Icelandic Delegation to the West Nordic

Council 1991-1995.

Minister of Finance since 2009; Minister of Fisheries and Agriculture, from February 1st to May 10th 2009; Minister of Agriculture and Communications 1988-1991.

ISLANDE / ICELAND



Árni Páll Árnason

Minister of Economic Affairs

Minister of Social Affairs and Social Security from May 2009 - September 2010.

Member of Althingi for the Social Democratic Alliance, representing the Southwest Constituency since May 2007; Chairman of the Committee on General Affairs 2009; Member of the Committee on Education and Culture 2009; Chairman of the Icelandic Delegation to the Nordic Council 2007 – 2009; Deputy-Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee 2007-2009; Member of the Committee on Health 2007-2009; Member of the Committee on Trade 2007-2009.

Prior to entering politics Árni Páll Árnason worked as Legal Counsel, specialising in International law and EU-law – in particular State aids, Free Movement and Environmental law. He further dealt with Administrative law, Regulatory Reform and Public Affairs.

From 1994 – 1998 Mr Árnason was a diplomat in the Icelandic Foreign Service, dealing with EU and later Defence related issues in Iceland and serving as First Secretary to the Icelandic Delegation to NATO and the WEU in Brussels and Iceland's representative on NATO's Political Committee from 1995-1998.

From 1992 – 1994 Mr Árnason was Political Advisor to the Minister for Foreign Affairs, dealing mostly with European issues.

Árni Páll Árnason graduated as lawyer from the University of Iceland in 1991 and did Post-graduate European Legal Studies at the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium from 1991-1992. He was a member of the Prime Minister's Advisory Committee on Regulatory Reform from 1999 – 2009 and has been a non-executive Director of the European Law Institute of the University of Reykjavik since 2004. He was Lecturer in European Law at the University of Reykjavik 2004 – 2009.

Árni Páll Árnason is born 23 May 1966. His spouse is Sigrún Eyjólfsdóttir and they have together 3 children.

ISRAEL



Avigdor Liberman

Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs

From 1996 to 1997, Mr. Avigdor Liberman served as Director-General of the Prime Minister's Office. In 1999, he founded and became Head of the Yisrael Beiteinu Party.

First elected to the Knesset in 1999, he has served as a member of the Foreign Affairs & Defense Committee and State Control Committees, and Chairman of the Israel-Moldova Parliamentary Friendship League.

In March 2001, Mr. Liberman was appointed Minister of National Infrastructures. He resigned from his post in March 2002.

From February 2003 until June 2004 he served as Minister of Transportation, and from October 2006 Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Strategic Affairs until his resignation in January 2008.

In March 2009, Mr. Avigdor Liberman was appointed Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs.

ISRAEL



Yuval Steinitz Minister of Finance

Knesset Member since July 1999, when replaced former Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

In his 9 years in the parliament: Chairman, The Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee; Chairman, The Sub-Committee for Intelligence & Secret Services; Chairman, The Sub-Committee for Defense Planning & Policy; Chairman, Sub-Committee for Army Readiness and Combating Terrorism; Co-Chairman, The Joint Dialogue on Defense between US Congress and the Israeli Knesset (together with Senator Kyl).

BA, MA (with honors) Hebrew University, Jerusalem. Ph.D in the "Philosophy of Science", Tel Aviv University.

1993 Winner of "Alon Scholarship", the most prestigious award for young PhD's in Israel. Senior lecturer at Haifa University. Chosen as distinguished lecturer two years in a row. Published articles in professional journals in Israel and abroad, including: American Philosophical Quarterly, The Philosophical Quarterly, Religious Studies, International Philosophical Quarterly. Published four philosophy books, which received great public acclaim in Israel. His book, Invitation to Philosophy (1987), is the most popular philosophy book in Israel history, printed in 40 editions.

Minister Steinitz was born on April 10th, 1958. He is married and has 3 children.



Giulio Tremonti

Minister of Economy & Finance

Giulio Tremonti was born in Sondrio (Lombardy) on 18 August, 1947.

A university professor since 1974, Giulio Tremonti is currently a Full Professor at the Faculty of Law at Pavia University. The author of two monographs and numerous scientific articles, he is also the author of *La paura e la speranza* (2008), *Rischi fatali. L'Europa vecchia, la Cina, il mercatismo suicida: come reagire* (2005), *Lo Stato criminogeno* (1997) and *Il fantasma della povertà* (1995) as well as *Le cento tasse degli italiani* (1986), *La fiera delle tasse* (1991), and *Il federalismo fiscale* (1994) with G. Vitaletti. He has held the role of Visiting Professor at the Institute of Comparative Law at the University of Oxford, UK. He has held debates and conferences both in Italy and abroad (e.g. at the Oxford Union Society, the Cambridge Union Society and Humboldt Universität, Chatham House, Freiburg Universität - Walter Eucken-Vorlesung, Central Party School of the Communist Party of China, Herzliya Conference). Giulio Tremonti is editor-in-chief of finance law and financial sciences journal *Rivista di diritto finanziario e scienza delle finanze*. A member of the Istituto Lombardo Accademia di Scienze e Lettere (Moral Sciences Class) he is also chairman of cultural-political study centre Aspen Institute Italia. His articles are published in newspaper *Corriere della Sera* as well as in leading European newspapers.

Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Parliament since 1994, Vice-President of Forza Italia, Vice-President of the Chamber of Deputies from 2006 to 2008, Vice-President of the Council of Ministers from 23 April 2005 to 4 May 2006. Minister of Economy and Finance since 8 May 2008, a role also held from 11 June 2001 to 3 July 2004 and from 22 September 2005 to 4 May 2006. Minister of Finance from May 1994 to January 1995.



Vincenzo Scotti

Secretary of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Born in 1933 in Naples, he graduated cum laude in law and held numerous prestigious government positions. From 1969, for over 26 years he read Development Economics at the L.U.I.S.S. in Rome, after which he was visiting professor at the University of Malta, and founded the Italian branch of the university.

He was first elected member of the Parliament for the Christian Democrats in 1968 and between 1976 – 1978 was Undersecretary of State at Ministry of Finance.

In 1978, he was Minister of Labour, a role in which he completed numerous agreements between entrepreneurs and Labour Unions, earning a reputation of skilled negotiator.

In 1984, he was appointed deputy secretary of Cristian Democratic party and in 1989 Speaker of the parliamentary group for the Christian Democrats at the *Camera dei Deputati*.

Later on, professor Scotti was appointed Minister of Home Affairs and actively promulgated laws which helped police fighting against organized crime.

With US attorney Rudolph Giuliani and late judge Giovanni Falcone he founded the D.I.A. (Direzione Investigativa Antimafia), a specialised anti-mafia police force. In 1992 he was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs, participating in the G-7 meeting in Munich related to the Yugoslavian crisis.

Professor Scotti is presently President of the Link Campus University of Malta. His political and professional experience have been characterized by negotiation abilities, understanding of social and political issues and continued research.

He has been appointed as Secretary of State at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in May 2008.

JAPON / JAPAN



Naoto Kan Prime Minister

Date of Birth: October 10, 1946

Birth Place: Ube-city, Yamaguchi Prefecture

Political Party: Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)

Member of the House of Representatives (Elected 10 times)

Constituency: Tokyo 18th district

Education

Mar. 1970: Graduated from Faculty of Applied Physics, Tokyo Institute of Technology

Career

Jun.2010: Prime Minister

Jan. 2010: Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance, Minister of State for Economic and Fiscal Policy

Sep. 2009: Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of State for National Policy, Minister of State for Economic and Fiscal Policy, Minister of State for Science and Technology Policy

Aug. 2009: Member of the House of Representatives (10th)

Dec. 2008: Lead Director, Committee on Budget, House of Representatives

Apr. 2006: Vice President, DPJ

Dec. 2002: President, DPJ

Sep. 2000: Secretary General, DPJ

Sep. 1999: Chairman of the Policy Research Council, DPJ

Apr. 1998: President, DPJ

Jan. 1996: Minister of Health and Welfare

Aug. 1993: Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, House of Representatives

Jun. 1980: Member of the House of Representatives (1st)

1971: Passed the examination of Patent Attorney

JAPON / JAPAN



Tetsuro Fukuyama Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary

Date of Birth: January 19, 1962

Place of Birth: Tokyo

Member of the House of Councillors

Kyoto Prefecture District (elected twice)

Education

1981 Graduated from Faculty of Law, Department of Law, Doshisha University

Career

2011 Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary (2nd Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

2010 Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary (Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

2010 Deputy Chief Cabinet Secretary (Kan Cabinet)

2009 Senior Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs (Hatoyama Cabinet)

2008 Secretary General of the Global Warming Countermeasures Headquarters, DPJ

2007 Chair, Policy Research Committee of the House of Councillors, DPJ

Deputy Chair, Policy Research Committee, DPJ

2005 Chair of the Committee on Environment, House of Councillors

Director-General, Research Department, DPJ

Chairman of 2nd subcommittee, Constitution Research Committee, DPJ

Director of Manifesto draft committee, DPJ

2004 Elected as a Member of the House of Councillors on Kyoto District (2nd)

2003 Put together DPJ Manifesto for general election as Director of Manifesto preparatory committee.

2002 Director-General, Local Organization Department, DPJ, Chairman of the Democratic Party Kyoto Prefecture total branch federation

2001 Visiting Professor, Kyoto University of Art and Design (Politics)

1999 Devoted to pass the Act on Special Measures against Dioxins

1998 Elected as a Member of the House of Councillors on Kyoto District (1st)

1997 Participated as a coordinator of DPJ, COP3 Kyoto

1995 Finished Masters Program, Graduate School of Law, Kyoto University

1991 Experienced Sarvodaya Movement, met Dr. Ariyaratne, nominee of Nobel Peace Prize

1990 Entered The Matsushita Institute Government and Management

JAPON / JAPAN



Yoshinori Suematsu

Senior Vice-Minister, Cabinet Office

Date of birth: Dec 6, 1956

Birth Place: Fukuoka Prefecture, Japan

Political Party: Democratic Party of Japan (DPJ)

Member of the House of Representatives, Tokyo Prefecture,
19th Electoral District (elected 5 times)

Education:

1986: M.A., Graduate School, Princeton University, USA

Mar 1980: Graduated from Hitotsubashi University

Career:

Jan. 2011: Senior Vice Minister of Cabinet Office (2nd Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

Sep. 2010: Senior Vice Minister of Cabinet Office (Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

Sep. 2009: Chairman, Special Committee on Consumer Affairs, House of Representatives

Aug. 2009: Elected to the House of Representatives (5th term)

Sep. 2008: Chairman, Special Committee on Children and Youth Affairs, House of Representatives

Sep. 2006: Next Minister of the Environment (DPJ "Next Cabinet")

Sep. 2005: Elected to the House of Representatives (4th term)

Nov. 2003: Elected to the House of Representatives (3rd term)

Sep. 2000: Deputy Chair, Policy Research Committee, DPJ

Jun. 2000: Elected to the House of Representatives (2nd term)

Nov. 1999: Deputy Secretary General, DPJ

Nov. 1996: Elected to the House of Representatives (1st term)

May. 1994: Resigned from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1986-1988: Seconded to the Ministry of Trade and Industry, then back to MOFA

1984-1986: Embassy of Japan in Iraq, Political Section

Apr. 1980: Entered the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA)



Yutaka Banno

State Secretary for Foreign Affairs

Democratic Party of Japan

Member of the House of Representatives

Aichi Prefecture, 8th Electoral District (elected for four consecutive terms)

January 1, 1961 Born in Aichi Prefecture

1983 Graduated from Nagoya Institute of Technology

1985 Graduated from Graduate School of Engineering, Nagoya Institute of Technology

April 1985 Entered the Japan National Railway (reorganized to the Japan Railway Central in 1987)

Engaged in Tokaido and Maglev Chuo Shinkansen projects

June 1994 Left JR Central

November 1998 Head of Aichi Prefecture 8th Local Chapter, DPJ

June 2000 Elected to the House of Representatives at the 42nd General Election (1st term)

October 2002 Vice-Chairman of the Diet Affairs Committee, DPJ

November 2003 Elected to the House of Representatives at the 43rd General Election (2nd term)

October 2004 Principal Board Member of the Committee on Judicial Affairs, DPJ

September 2005 Elected to the House of Representatives at the 44th General Election (3rd term)

September 2006 Minister for Land, Infrastructure and Transport in the DPJ Next Cabinet

September 2007 Senior Vice-Minister for the Environment in the DPJ Next Cabinet

August 2009 Elected to the House of Representatives at the 45th General Election (4th term)

September 2009 Deputy Secretary-General, DPJ

July 2010 Director of the International Affairs Bureau, DPJ

September 2010 State Secretary for Foreign Affairs (Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

January 2011 State Secretary for Foreign Affairs (Second Reshuffled Kan Cabinet)

JAPON / JAPAN



Takashi Shinohara

Senior Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries

June 2010: Senior Vice-Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

August 2009: Elected to the HR (45th General Election)

September 2005: Elected to the HR (44th General Election)

November 2003: Elected to the HR (43th General Election)

September 2003: Retired Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries

June 2000: Director, National Research Institute of Agricultural Economics

(from April 2001, Policy Research Institute, MAFF)

June 1991 - July 1994: Counselor, Permanent Delegation of Japan to the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development

April 1973: Joined Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry

July 2001: Earned Doctor's degree of Agriculture, Kyoto University

June 1978: Earned Master of Laws, The University of Washington's General Ocean Institute

March 1973: Graduated from Kyoto University, Faculty of Laws

1948: Born in Nagano Prefecture, Japan

JAPON / JAPAN



Kaname Tajima

Vice Minister of Economy, Trade & Industry

Date of birth: September 22, 1961

Political Party: Democratic Party of Japan

Place of birth: Seto, Aichi Prefecture

Place of residence: Chiba, Chiba Prefecture

Educational background

Mar. 1985 Graduated from the Faculty of Law, the University of Tokyo

Aug. 1991 Graduated with an MBA from the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, USA

Career

Apr. 1985 Joined Nippon Telegraph and Telephone Corporation

1991 Investment Officer, IFC, World Bank Group

1995 Business Strategy Advisor to the Philippines' largest telecom company

2000 Senior Director, Service Creation Department, Global Services Business Division, NTT Communications Corporation

Jun. 2003 Left NTT Communications Corporation

Jul. 2003 Representative, 1st Electoral District Branch of Chiba Prefecture, Democratic Party of Japan [DPJ]

Nov. 2003 Elected to the House of Representatives [H.R.] (43rd general election)

Sep. 2005 Elected to the H.R. (44th general election)

Sep. 2007 Deputy Chair, DPJ Policy Research Committee

Aug. 2009 Elected to the H.R. (45th general election)

Nov. 2009 Participant in scrutinizing of public projects by the Government Revitalization Unit

Dec. 2009 Support Member, Council for the Formulation of a Growth Strategy

Jun. 2010 Deputy Chair, DPJ Policy Research Committee (2nd time)

Sep. 2010 Vice Minister of Economy, Trade and Industry

LETTONIE / LATVIA



Sanita Pavluta-Deslandes Ambassador of Latvia to France

Date of birth: 23 August 1972
Place of birth: Riga, Latvia
Marital status: Married to Dr. Bruno Deslandes (3 children)

EDUCATION

1996 – 1998 Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, Department of International Relations, European Studies programme (diplômée de sciences politiques)
1991 – 1995 Academy of Culture of Latvia (Bachelor of Fine Arts, Intercultural relations)
1993 – 1994 Université de Provence (Aix-Marseille III), Art history

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Since October 2010: Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Latvia to the Republic of France, Permanent Delegate to UNESCO

2008-2010 Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Latvia to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Permanent Representative to the OPCW

2008 Counsellor, 1st Political Directorate, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2005 – 2007 Adviser on EU affairs to the Prime Minister

2006 Adviser to the Minister of Education and Science

2004 – 2005 Head of the European Affairs Office, State Chancellery

1995 – 2004 Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2003 – 2004 Director of the EU Co-ordination Department

1998 – 2003 Task Force for EU Accession Negotiations - Second Secretary, First Secretary, Head of the EU Co-ordination Division (responsible for negotiation chapters Agriculture, Fisheries, Environment, Transport and Telecommunications, Regional Policy and Structural Funds; after the completion of negotiations – development of the national EU co-ordination system)

1995 – 1998 Embassy of Latvia in France, Assistant (economic affairs);

1995 Western European Division, Senior Desk Officer (bilateral relations with the UK and Benelux)

1994 – 1995 Academy of Culture of Latvia - Lecturer in French

1994 – 1995 Latvian National Commission for UNESCO - Project manager

1990 – 1992 Riga Motion Picture Studio - Assistant director

LANGUAGES

Latvian – mother tongue; English, French, Russian – proficient; German – Mittelstufe; Spanish, Dutch - passive

AWARDS

2005 The Order of Three Stars (Latvian State Award), 5th class

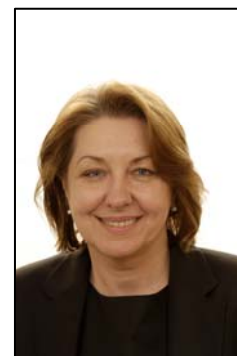
2007 Certificate of Merit of the Prime Minister of Latvia

OTHER INFORMATION

2003-2008 Member of the Expert Commission, Baltic American Partnership Program (support for NGOs)

Experience in training public officials and students on EU-related issues

LITUANIE / LITHUANIA



Lina Terra

Ministre Conseiller

Née le 26 mai 1957 à Kaunas, Lituanie

FORMATION

1983- 1987 Université de Vilnius, faculté de philologie, spécialisation Langues romaniques et littérature.

1992 Les cours de Protocole diplomatique et royal en Suède.

1998 Les cours de Diplomatie à l'Université de Birmingham et l'Université d'Oxford, Grand Bretagne.

EXPÉRIENCE PROFESSIONNELLE

Depuis 2009 Ministre Conseiller, l'Ambassade de la République de Lituanie en France.

2005- 2009 Chef de protocole de Premier Ministre, Gouvernement de la République de Lituanie.

2000- 2005 Conseiller, Représentation permanente de Lituanie auprès de l'Union Européenne.

1997- 2000 Premier secrétaire, Département de l'ONU, Ministère des affaires étrangères de Lituanie

1993- 1997 Chef de service consulaire, l'Ambassade de la République de Lituanie en Italie.

1991- 1993 Office de Protocole, Ministère des affaires étrangères.

LANGUES

Lituanien

Français

Anglais

Italien

Russe

LUXEMBOURG



Jeannot Krecké

Ministre de l'Économie & du Commerce extérieur

Jeannot Krecké est né le 26 avril 1950 à Luxembourg-Ville.

Après avoir obtenu le diplôme de fin d'études secondaires à Luxembourg-Ville, il entame en 1969 des études universitaires à l'Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB), où il obtient une licence en éducation physique et sportive.

En 1983, il décide de se réorienter professionnellement. Ses intérêts le poussent vers une reconversion en économie, en comptabilité et en fiscalité. Il suit diverses formations, notamment aux États-Unis.

À l'issue des élections législatives du 13 juin 2004, Jeannot Krecké est nommé ministre de l'Économie et du Commerce extérieur, ministre des Sports en date du 31 juillet 2004.

Lors de la reconduction du gouvernement de coalition entre le Parti chrétien-social (CSV) et le Parti ouvrier socialiste luxembourgeois (LSAP) issu des élections législatives du 7 juin 2009, Jeannot Krecké garde le portefeuille de ministre de l'Économie et du Commerce extérieur en date du 23 juillet 2009.

Depuis juillet 2004, Jeannot Krecké représente le gouvernement luxembourgeois au Conseil des ministres de l'Union européenne dans la formation "Affaires économiques et financières", dans la formation "Compétitivité" pour les parties Marché intérieur et Industrie, ainsi que dans la formation "Transport, télécommunications et énergie" pour la partie Énergie. Il est également membre de l'Eurogroupe de juillet 2004 à juin 2009.

Jeannot Krecké devient conseiller communal de Kopstal en 1981, avant de siéger au conseil communal de la Ville de Luxembourg à partir de 1989.

Il est nommé trésorier général du LSAP en 1985 et fait partie du comité central dudit parti. Élu député en 1989, il s'implique dans les questions économiques et financières, ce qui l'amène entre autres à présider la commission de l'Économie et la commission en charge du Contrôle de l'exécution budgétaire. En 1995, il est rapporteur du budget de l'État pour l'exercice 1996.

De 1997 à 2004, il assume la fonction de président du groupe parlementaire du LSAP.

À partir de 1973, Jeannot Krecké est professeur d'enseignement secondaire, tout en assumant un poste d'assistant auprès de l'ULB jusqu'en 1976.

De 1979 à 1980, il est attaché au ministère des Sports.

Après sa réorientation professionnelle, il donne des cours en économie, en comptabilité et en fiscalité. Son intérêt poussé pour le domaine fiscal fait de lui en 1992 le coauteur d'un manuel sur la fiscalité des personnes physiques au Luxembourg, publié annuellement depuis lors. Peu après, son expertise lui vaut d'être le consultant externe des sociétés Mazars (1994-1999), Arthur Andersen (1999-2003) et Ernst & Young (2003-2004). En 1997, il rédige, à la demande du Premier ministre, un rapport sur la fraude fiscale au Luxembourg.

Motivé par des raisons familiales, il s'engage dans la lutte contre la maladie d'Alzheimer et cofonde en 1987 l'Association Luxembourg Alzheimer, dont il assume la présidence jusqu'en 1997, avant de diriger la Fondation Alzheimer au Luxembourg. Ses efforts mobilisent les énergies sur le plan européen et débouchent sur la création de l'association Alzheimer Europe, qu'il chapeaute de 1996 à 2001 et dont le bureau de coordination européen s'implante au Grand-Duché sous son impulsion.

Après avoir été international de football sélectionné à 19 reprises, Jeannot Krecké devient fervent navigateur. Ainsi, il fait partie de l'équipage qui gagne la course transatlantique à la voile Constitution Race en 1987. Par après, il participe à des expéditions polaires à la voile qui le conduisent jusqu'au Groenland et au Spitzberg.

MAROC / MOROCCO



El Mostafa Sahel

Ambassadeur de Sa Majesté le Roi en France

Né le 05 mai 1946 à Ouled Frej dans la province d'El Jadida (Maroc). Marié, 2 enfants.

Titulaire d'une licence en droit de la Faculté de Droit de Rabat et d'un DES en Droit Public de la Faculté de Droit de Paris Sorbonne, M. Sahel a intégré l'Inspection générale des Finances en Août 1968.

M. Sahel, a exercé différentes fonctions au sein du Ministère des Finances, notamment en tant que, Directeur du Budget, Secrétaire général du Ministère des Finances et Directeur général du Fonds d'équipement communal (Banque de financement des collectivités locales)

Ministre des Pêches maritimes et de la Marine marchande entre 1993 et 1997. Il a également été nommé, à compter de 1997, Ministre des Pêches maritimes, des Affaires administratives et Ministre chargé des Relations avec le Parlement.

Président du Groupe d'Investissement SOMED (Société Maroc Emirats Arabes Unis de Développement) en 1998.

Wali (Préfet de région) de Rabat, le 21 juillet 2001.

Ministre de l'Intérieur, le 02 novembre 2002.

Ambassadeur, Représentant Permanent du Royaume du Maroc auprès des Nations Unies, le 15 février 2006.

Monsieur El Mostafa Sahel est Ambassadeur de Sa Majesté le Roi en France, depuis le 21 janvier 2009.

MEXIQUE / MEXICO



Patricia Espinosa Cantellano Minister of Foreign Affairs

Ambassador Patricia Espinosa holds a bachelor's degree in International Relations from El Colegio de México and she undertook graduate studies in International Law at the Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland.

A career diplomat, Patricia Espinosa joined Mexico's Foreign Service in 1981. Between 1982 and 1988 she joined Mexico's Permanent Mission to the UN in Geneva, where she was in charge of economic affairs. From 1989 to 1991 she served as Chief of Staff to Mexico's Undersecretary of Foreign Affairs. In 1991 she was appointed Director of International Organizations at the Foreign Ministry. Between 1993 and 1997 she was a member of Mexico's Permanent Mission to the UN in New York, with responsibility over issues related to the Third Committee of the UN General Assembly, including drug trafficking, human rights, social development, the advancement of women, and the promotion and protection of the rights of children. She was elected Chair of the Third Committee during the 51st Session of the UN General Assembly.

From 1997 to 1999 Patricia Espinosa served as Director General for Regional Organizations of the Americas. In this capacity she acted as Mexico's national coordinator for the Rio Group, the Ibero-American Summit, the Summit of the Americas, and the European Union-Latin America and the Caribbean Summit.

Promoted to the rank of Ambassador in January 2000, she was appointed Ambassador to Germany that same year and two years later she was designated Mexico's Ambassador to Austria and Permanent Representative to the International Organizations in Vienna.

She was appointed Secretary of Foreign Affairs by President Felipe Calderon Hinojosa on December 1, 2006.

MEXIQUE / MEXICO



Ernesto Cordero Arroyo Minister of Finance & Public Credit

Ernesto Cordero holds a bachelor's degree in Actuary from the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM) and a master's degree in Economics from the University of Pennsylvania.

He was appointed Director General of the Miguel Estrada Iturbide Foundation and Integral Risk Management Director at Banco Nacional de Obras y Servicios Públicos (BANOBRAS). He served as Undersecretary of Energy Planning and Technological Development at the Ministry of Energy.

At the beginning of this administration, he served as deputy finance minister for spending at the Ministry of Finance and Public Credit and afterwards he was appointed Minister of Social Development.

He was appointed as Minister of Finance and Public Credit on December 9 by President Calderón.

Ernesto Cordero has taught Economics and Statistics at the ITAM, International Economics at the University of Pennsylvania, Financial Econometrics at the Universidad Panamericana and Econometrics at the Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económica (CIDE).

MEXIQUE / MEXICO



Bruno Ferrari García de Alba Minister of Economy

Bruno Ferrari was born on 1961, in Mexico City. He holds a Law Degree with Honours from the Escuela Libre de Derecho in Mexico City. He has attended to several courses in Management, Finance, Human Resources, Competitiveness, and Marketing at Harvard University, Stanford University, University of Michigan, Kellogg School of Management, The Wharton School of Management, and INSEAD in France.

His entrepreneur career started in 1990. For the past 15 years, Mr. Ferrari has had a successful career in a variety of industries focused on Agribusiness in different parts of the world, transforming underperforming companies into thriving enterprises by focusing on the development of R&D teams, and human capital training.

Mr. Ferrari, was President and CEO of Seminis, Inc., where he led a team of experts towards establishing operations in 155 countries, and research centers in 73 of them. Previously, he also held a variety of corporate positions at Grupo Pulsar, which was one of the largest corporations in Mexico.

From January 2007 to July 2007, he served as Head of the Unit for Economic Relations and International Cooperation in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

From July 2007 to July 2010, he served as CEO of ProMexico, the Mexican Government institution in charge of strengthening Mexico's participation in the international economy. During his time in ProMexico, he supported the export activity of companies established in Mexico and coordinated actions to attract foreign direct investment.

In July 15th of 2010, President Felipe Calderón appointed him Secretary of the Economy of Mexico.

MEXIQUE / MEXICO



Lourdes Aranda

Undersecretary for Foreign Affairs & Sherpa of Mexico to the G20

Undersecretary Lourdes Aranda holds a degree in International Relations from El Colegio de Mexico. She pursued studies at the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva, Switzerland. Member of the Mexican Foreign Service since 1984, she was appointed Ambassador in April 2002.

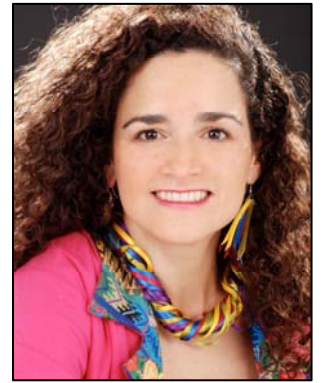
Ambassador Aranda has served in several positions at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Her trajectory includes the Office for the Multilateral Economic Relations, North American Affairs, Administrative and Budgetary Issues, Environmental and Natural Resources Themes as well as Human Rights and Narcotics Affairs.

From 1995 to 2001, AMB Lourdes Aranda performed as Deputy Representative at the Permanent Mission of Mexico to the Organization of American States, in Washington, D.C., where she attended the “Continental Defense Graduate Course” at the Inter-American Defense College (IADC). She was then appointed Director General for Global Affairs, responsible for coordinating Mexico’s international policy on gender equality, human rights, as well as issues regarding environment and natural resources, sustainable development, drugs control, the fight against corruption, and crime prevention. From September to December 2003, she was Director General of the Mexican Diplomatic School, Instituto Matías Romero, the academic branch of the Ministry in charge of the training process of the members of the international cooperation programs with other diplomatic academies.

Ambassador Lourdes Aranda was appointed Vice Minister for Foreign Affairs in December 2003, the second highest ranking position in the Ministry, holding the responsibility of overseeing Mexico’s bilateral relations in countries within Africa, the Asia-Pacific region, the Middle East and Europe.

In this vein, Ambassador Aranda has contributed to the diversification of international relations in Mexico, seeking to deepen political dialogue, economic relations and cooperation with countries and regional fora in Asia, Africa and Europe.

MEXIQUE / MEXICO



Beatriz Leycegui Gardoqui Undersecretary for International Trade Negotiations

On December 1st 2006, Beatriz Leycegui Gardoqui was appointed Undersecretary for International Trade Negotiations at the Ministry of Economy. Beatriz has professional experience both in public and private work as well as in academia. She has been involved in activities related to international trade for over 16 years.

Prior to her appointment, Beatriz was partner in SAI Consultores, an economics and law consulting firm in Mexico. She headed the international trade law practice group. She advised and represented the Mexican industry on trade matters before the Mexican government, foreign authorities, as well as international organizations. She was also legal counsel responsible for dumping, subsidies and safeguards litigation, as well as antitrust issues.

At the Ministry of Economy, at the time SECOFI, she was Legal Director for NAFTA at the Office of the Undersecretary for International Trade Negotiations. She participated in the groups on dispute settlement, intellectual property, safeguards, antidumping and countervailing duties. Beatriz began her public service career at the Ministry of the Interior and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Beatriz worked as professor and researcher at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM). Here, she led the training programs for NAFTA panelists. She coordinated the publication of two books: *Trading Punches: Trade Remedy Law and Disputes under NAFTA*, and; *Natural Partners?-Five years of NAFTA*.

She has a law degree from the Escuela Libre de Derecho and a Masters in International Affairs from Columbia Graduate School of International and Public Affairs.

She is a member of: the Institute of Latin American Advisory Board at Columbia University; the Advisory Board of the International Business Law master's program at the Universidad Iberoamericana; the Mexican Bar, Law College; and of the Mexican Council on Foreign Affairs.

Beatriz has written articles on trade issues for the Autonomous National University of Mexico (UNAM), ITAM, the Journal of World Trade, the Center for Trade Policy and Law (Canada), the Southwestern Journal of Law and Trade (USA), and the National Policy Association (USA).

NORVEGE / NORWAY



Jens Stoltenberg Prime Minister

Jens Stoltenberg became Prime Minister of Norway for the second time on 17 October 2005 and was re-elected in 2009. He heads a majority government representing the Labour Party, the Socialist Left Party and the Centre Party.

Mr Stoltenberg was Prime Minister 2000-2001, Minister of Finance 1996-1997, Minister of Trade and Energy 1993-1996, and State Secretary at the Ministry of the Environment 1990-1991. He has been member of the Storting (parliament) since 1993, and leader of the Labour Party since 2002.

Mr Stoltenberg is strongly committed to development issues, and has taken on a leadership role internationally for UN Millennium Goals 4 & 5, on child mortality and maternal health. He has co-chaired the UN High-level Advisory Group on Climate Change Financing in developing countries (report submitted to the Secretary-General in December 2010), and the High Level Panel on UN System-wide Coherence (report submitted to the Secretary-General in November 2006). Stoltenberg was member of the board of the Global Vaccine Fund 2001-2005.

He was born in Oslo on 16 March 1959, and is married with two children. He holds a Master's degree in economics from the University of Oslo from 1987.

NORVEGE / NORWAY



Sigbjørn Johnsen Minister of Finance

Sigbjørn Johnsen became Minister of Finance for the second time on 20 October 2009. He represents the Labour Party in a majority government also consisting of the Socialist Left Party and the Centre Party.

Mr. Johnsen was Member of Parliament 1976-1997, including Member of the Standing Committee on Finance 1980-1990. His first term as Minister of Finance was 1990-1996. Johnsen was County Governor of Hedmark 1997-2009.

Sigbjørn Johnsen has led several major public commissions, including the Election Law Commission 1997-2000 and the Pension Commission 2000-2002. He was member of Norges Bank's (the Central Bank) Executive Board 1999-2004.

Mr. Johnsen was born in Lillehammer on 1 October 1950, and is married with three children.

NORVEGE / NORWAY



Jonas Gahr Støre

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Jonas Gahr Støre is Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway. He has a degree in political science from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris, and has held a teaching position at Harvard Law School. His first introduction into public life was as Special Advisor to the Prime Minister, followed by a three year tenure as Director-General of the Prime Minister's International Department. In 1998, Mr. Støre was appointed Ambassador of Norway's Permanent Mission at the United Nations in Geneva, but served only briefly as he was asked by former Prime Minister of Norway and then Secretary-General of the World Health Organization, Gro Harlem Brundtland, to become her Chief of Staff. In 2005, Mr. Støre became Minister of Foreign Affairs in Prime Minister Jens Stoltenberg's government, following three years as Secretary-General of the Norwegian Red Cross. Mr. Støre belongs to the Norwegian Labour Party.

NOUVELLE ZELANDE / NEW ZEALAND



Tim Groser

Minister of Trade

Associate Minister of Foreign Affairs

Minister Responsible for International Climate Change Negotiations

Mr Groser was born in Perth, Scotland and came to New Zealand with his parents in 1958. After completing his education at Victoria University, where he obtained First Class Honours, he served as a policy adviser in a number of key Departments including Treasury, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade, and the Prime Minister's Advisory Group. He has served New Zealand with distinction in a number of capacities, including being New Zealand's Chief Negotiator in the GATT Uruguay Round.

Before being elected to Parliament Mr Groser was New Zealand's Ambassador to the World Trade Organization (WTO), and Chair of Agricultural Negotiations for the WTO.

Mr Groser was elected to the New Zealand Parliament as a List MP in the 2005 General Election and again in 2008.

PAYS-BAS / THE NETHERLANDS



Maxime Verhagen

Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Economic Affairs,
Agriculture & Innovation

From 1984 to 1987, Mr Verhagen worked as an assistant to an MP for the Christian Democratic Alliance (CDA). Later on, he joined the parliamentary staff for the CDA, where he was given responsibility for European affairs, development cooperation and trade policy. He was a member of the European Parliament from 1989 to 1994. From 1994 to 2007 he was a member of the House of Representatives for the CDA, where he was the party's spokesman on asylum policy, and foreign and European affairs. He became leader of the CDA parliamentary party in 2002.

On 22 February 2007 Mr Verhagen was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs in the fourth Balkenende government. He also took over the portfolios of Minister for Development and Minister for European Affairs on 23 February 2010.

Following the elections on 9 June 2010 he returned to the House of Representatives, again as leader of the CDA parliamentary party.

On 14 October 2010 Mr Verhagen was appointed Minister of Economic Affairs, Agriculture and Innovation in the Rutte-Verhagen government.

From 1986 to 1990 Mr Verhagen was leader of the CDA group in the Oegstgeest municipal council. Other roles included vice-chair of the permanent parliamentary committee on foreign affairs, and board member of the Eduardo Frei Foundation for international solidarity. From 1996 to 2003 he was a member of the board of the Netherlands Atlantic Association and of the European Movement.

PEROU / PERU

José Antonio Arrospide Del Busto Ambassador of Peru to France



Ambassador José Antonio ARROSPIDE DEL BUSTO was born in Lima March 20, 1950.

He holds a professional degree in International Relations from the Diplomatic Academy of Peru and followed studies in Liberal Arts and Law at the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru.

He is a career diplomat since 1974. He was Vice-Minister and Secretary General of Foreign Affairs 2000-2001. Since 2006, he is Executive Director of the Bi-national Development Plan of the Peru-Ecuador Border Region and Executive Bi-national Secretary of the Peru-Ecuador Bi-national Fund for Peace and Development. He has also held positions that include those of Director of the Minister's Cabinet; Director of the Europe Department; Director of Planning; Chief of the North America Department; and was involved in the Peru-Ecuador peace talks.

Between 1995 and 2000, he was Ambassador to the European Union, Belgium and Luxembourg. From 2001 to 2006 he was Ambassador to the Kingdom of the Netherlands, Permanent Representative to the OPCW and a Governor of the Common Fund for Commodities. He was also Deputy Permanent Representative to the United Nations and to the United Nations Fund for the Environment. He has also held positions in Finland, Spain and Brazil.

As from April 2011, he is Ambassador to France.

He was president of the Conference of the Member States of the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) 2005-2006; President of the OPCW Executive Council 2003-2004; and Vice-President of the Board of Governors of the Common Fund for Commodities, 2001-2003.

He has chaired or been a member of delegations to a number of international conferences and meetings, including the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the EU-Latin America Summit, the Americas Summit, the Rio Group, the Andean Group, etc.

He has been granted the Grand Cross of the Orders of Peru, Belgium, the Netherlands, and Colombia. He has also been awarded decorations by Argentina, Finland, Spain, Mexico, Belgium and Colombia.

Ambassador Arrospide speaks Spanish, French, English and Portuguese.

POLOGNE / POLAND



Waldemar Pawlak

Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Economy

On 16 November 2007 appointed a Vice-Prime Minister and the Minister of Economy by the Prime Minister.

Born on 5 September 1959 in Model, Mazowieckie Voivodship.

Graduated from the Faculty of Automotive and Construction Machinery Engineering of the Warsaw University of Technology.

Prime Minister in 1992 and from 1993 to 1995.

Since January 2005 Chairman of the Polish People's Party, also led the Party from 1991 to 1997.

Since 1989 Member of the Parliament.

From 2001 to 2005 President of the Board of the Warsaw Commodities Exchange.

Since April 1992 President of the Voluntary Fire Brigades Union.

Since 1984 has been running a 17 hectare agricultural farm in Kamionka near Pacyna.

POLOGNE / POLAND



Marcin Korolec

Undersecretary of State at the Ministry of Economy

Born 24 December 1968 in Warsaw. Graduated from Ecole Nationale d'Administration in Paris (1996) and also from Warsaw University, first the Faculty of History and then the Faculty of Law and Administration.

From October 2004 to November 2005 he carried out EU funds consulting as a partner in Euroidea firm.

In 2001–2004 Minister's Counsellor at the Office of the Committee for European Integration (UKIE), in Minister D. Hübner's office. From 1999 to 2001 adviser to Jan Kułakowski, the Government Plenipotentiary for Poland's Accession Negotiations with the European Union, in charge of the following negotiation fields: free movement of goods, freedom of movement for persons, agriculture, competition policy, consumers and health protection. From March 1998 to July 1999 aide to Jan Kułakowski, the Government Plenipotentiary for Poland's Accession Negotiations with the EU.

From June 1993 to December 1994, and also from June 1997 to March 1998 worked as a lawyer in law firms. From January to April 1995 a lawyer at the Foreign Affairs Ministry's Legal and Treaty Department.

Also carried out teaching activities in, among other fields, structural funds and coordination of Poland's European policies (workshops at the National School of Public Administration, Warsaw University's Faculty of Journalism and Political Sciences).

Author of publications on Poland's accession negotiations: chapter "Organization and Course of Accession Negotiations in the Field of Social Policy and Employment", in: Social policy and Employment (Chancellery of the Prime Minister, Warsaw, 2001); chapters: "Free Movement of Goods", and "Agriculture", in: Membership of Poland in the European Union: On What Principles? (UKIE, Warsaw, 2003).

Fluent speaker of English and French.

His hobbies include skiing and long-distance running.

Wife Olga, three sons: Jan, Bartłomiej and Krzysztof.

PORTUGAL



João Gomes Cravinho

Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

João Gomes Cravinho, born in 1964, is married and has two children. He graduated and did his MSc at the London School of Economics and holds a PhD from Oxford University. He has served as Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Economy, Coimbra University, teaching International Relations and coordinating the doctoral program International Politics and Conflict Resolution. He was also guest lecturer at ISCTE and Universidade Nova de Lisboa.

Mr. Cravinho's doctoral dissertation focused on Mozambique, and he has published extensively in Portuguese and foreign journals – United Kingdom, France and Spain. Besides several articles in specialized journals, his most important publication in the area of International Relations is "Visões do Mundo" published in 2002 and written mainly while Visiting Researcher at Georgetown University, in Washington.

In addition to his academic career, Mr. Cravinho has devoted several years of his activity to the area of Development Cooperation. In 1999 he coordinated the inter-ministerial report of the Portuguese Government concerning assistance to East Timor; in 2000 he worked with the Portuguese presidency of the European Union and from January 2001 to June 2002 he was president of the Institute for Portuguese Cooperation. Among other activities he has been consultant in national (Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian) and international (European Commission and World Bank) institutions.

REPUBLIQUE POPULAIRE DE CHINE / PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA



Yu Jianhua

Assistant Minister of Commerce

Yu Jianhua, male, a Han national from Yancheng of Jiangsu Province, was born in December 1961. Yu graduated from China Foreign Affairs University, majoring in international relations, and acquired an MBA from University of Birmingham of the UK.

He began his career in August 1982 and taught at Jiangsu Yancheng Teacher Training College before joining the Department of European Affairs of the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade (MOFERT). Having worked successively as the Second Secretary of the Economic and Commercial Counselor's Office of the Mission of China to the EU and the Chinese Embassy in Belgium, Deputy Division Director and Division Director of the Department of European Affairs and Division Director of the Department of International Economic and Trade Relations of the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation (MOFTEC), Yu was promoted to Deputy Director-General of the Department of WTO Affairs of MOFTEC in November 2001 and Director-General of the Department of International Trade and Economic Affairs of the Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM) in October 2006. From July 2007 to August 2008 he served on secondment as Deputy Secretary-General and Member of Party Leadership Group of the General Office of the People's Government of Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region. Yu was appointed Member of Party Leadership Group of MOFCOM in December 2010.

Yu was appointed Assistant Minister and Member of Party Leadership Group of the Ministry of Commerce in January 2011.

REPUBLIQUE POPULAIRE DE CHINE / PEOPLE'S
REPUBLIC OF CHINA



Yi Xiaozhun

Vice Minister of Ministry of Commerce

Date of Birth: December 1951

Education: Master of Economics
Nankai University of China

Career:

2011 Ambassador, Permanent Representative

Permanent Mission of China to the WTO

Deputy Permanent Representative of China to the United Nations Office at Geneva and other International Organizations in Switzerland

2005 Vice Minister

Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM)

2003 Assistant Minister

Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM)

2000 Director General

Department of International Trade & Economic Affairs

Ministry of Commerce (MOFCOM)

1996 Deputy Director General

Department of International Trade & Economic Affairs

Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Cooperation (MOFTEC)

1987 Third and Second Secretary

Economic and Commercial Office

Chinese Embassy, Washington D.C. USA

1984 Official

Bureau of International Affairs

Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade (MOFERT)



Iveta Radičová

Prime Minister

Iveta Radičová was born in Bratislava on 7 December 1956.

Education:

1975 – 1979: Faculty of Philosophy at Comenius University in Bratislava, Department of Sociology

1979 – 1981: PhDr. (“Quantitative and Qualitative Research”) Faculty of Philosophy at Comenius University in Bratislava, Department of Sociology

1983 – 1986 Ph.D. (“Typological Method in Social Sciences”) Slovak Academy of Sciences in Bratislava

1990: Postdoctoral studies, Oxford University 1997 Readership (associate professorship) “At the Crossroads of Social Cognition – Social Policy Problems” Faculty of Philosophy at Comenius University in Bratislava

2005: Professorship (“The Processes of Social Inclusion and Exclusion”) Faculty of Philosophy at Comenius University in Bratislava

Previous occupations:

1979 – 1989: Family Policy Research Team Coordinator, Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences

1990 – 1993: University teacher, Department of Sociology, Comenius University

1992 – 2005: Executive Director, the S.P.A.C.E. Agency – Social Policy Analysis Centre in Bratislava (as of 1 January 2003, S.P.A.C.E. NPO)

1993 – 1997: Deputy Director, Academia Istropolitana in Bratislava

1997 – 2005: University teacher, Department of Political Sciences, Comenius University

2005: Director, Institute for Sociology of the Slovak Academy of Sciences

2005 – 2007: Sociology programme supervisor, Department of Sociology, Constantine the Philosopher University in Nitra

2005 – 2006: Minister of Labour, Social Affairs and Family

2006 – April 2009: Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic and Deputy Chair of the Social Affairs and Housing Committee

2007: University teacher, Department of Social Work, Comenius University

Selected publications:

Pre ľudí a o ľuďoch: otázky formovania sociálnej politiky na Slovensku (For People and about People: Social Policy Formation Issues in Slovakia), 1995. Krížne cesty sociálneho poznania (At the Crossroads of Social Cognition), 1996.

Vieme čo odmietame a vieme čo chceme? Životné stratégie občanov Slovenska (Do We Know What We Refuse and What We Want? Life Strategies of Slovak Citizens), 1998. Sociálna politika na Slovensku (Social Policy in Slovakia), 1998.

Sociální politika v Čechách a na Slovensku po roce 1989 (Social Policy in the Czech Republic and Slovakia after 1989) (co-edited by M. Potůček), 1998. Zdravie, práca, dôchodok (Health, Work, Pension) (co-authored by H. Woleková, J. Nemeč), 1999. Hic Sunt Romales, 2001. S.O.S. - Sociálna ochrana na Slovensku (S.O.S. – Social Protection in Slovakia), 2003.

Political career:

1990 - 1992 VPN (Public Against Violence)

2006 – SDKÚ-DS (Slovak Democratic and Christian Union – Democratic Party)

Iveta Radičová speaks English and Russian and has a basic command of German and Polish.



Ivan Mikloš

Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Finance

Born June 2, 1960, Svidník

Ivan Mikloš has been the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance of the Slovak Republic since July 2010. His political career started in early 90-ties, when he became Minister of Privatization. Since then he was one of the leading figures of economic transformation in Slovakia. He co-founded an economic policy think-tank MESA10. In 1998 he became Deputy Prime Minister for Economy and in 2002 Minister of Finance of the Slovak Republic. Ivan Mikloš significantly contributed to the entry of the Slovak Republic into the OECD and started an extensive and effective tax reform. Under his leadership Slovakia jumped to the 32nd place out of 178 economies on the ease of doing business index. He led the government agenda on economic restructuring and fiscal consolidation. The second Dzurinda's government (2002-2006) gained a very reformist reputation thanks to severe austerity measures, and a comprehensive program of socio-economic reforms (tax, social sector, pension, healthcare, school financing) backed by Ivan Mikloš. Under the same government Slovakia became NATO and EU member in 2004, and the project to join EURO started in 2005. In 2004 Ivan Mikloš was awarded the best Minister of Finance of the Year by Euromoney and the top business reformer by the World Bank's Doing Business report. Ivan Mikloš is the author of the Book of reforms (2005) and Rewriting the Rule (2001), as well as of dozens of studies and articles in the expert and popular press. During 2006-2010 Ivan Mikloš was an opposition MP for the Slovak Democratic Christian Union.

REPUBLIQUE SLOVAQUE / SLOVAK REPUBLIC



Juraj Miškov Minister of Economy

Date of Birth: 15. 4 1973

Place of Birth: Bratislava

Education:

1987 - 1991 Ivan Horvath's Secondary Grammar School, Bratislava

1991 - 1994 Comenius University, Faculty of Philosophy, Bratislava

1996 - 2001 Comenius University, Faculty of Management, Bratislava – Postgradual study

Professional career:

1991 Slovak Radio, Bratislava - Editor

1992 Editorial office newspaper SME, Editor

1992 - 1993 Randolph, Young & Moore, Bratislava - Jobber

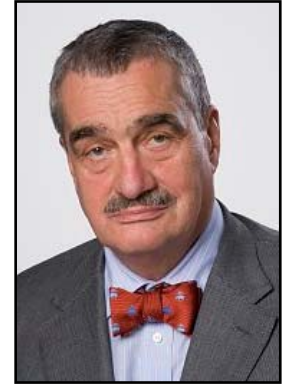
1993 - 1999 Burian, Miškov & Partners, Bratislava - Jobber

2000 - 2009 MUW Saatchi & Saatchi, Bratislava - Jobber, General Director

2010 Political Party Sloboda a Solidarita, Bratislava, Deputy Chairman

Language skills: German, English

Political party membership: Sloboda a solidarita (SaS)



Karel Schwarzenberg

Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs

Mr. Schwarzenberg was born in Prague on 10th December 1937. In 1948, his family was forced to leave to Austria. In 1957, he graduated in Law and Silviculture Studies at the Universities of Vienna, Munich and Graz. In 1967 he married Dr. Terezia Hardegg. From 1984 to 1991 he was the President of the International Helsinki Committee for Human Rights. In 1989 he received the Human Rights Award of the Council of Europe together with Lech Walesa. In 1989, he returned to his homeland. Between July 1990 and July 1992 he held the function of Chancellor of President Vaclav Havel. From December 2004 to May 2010, Mr. Schwarzenberg was Senator of the Parliament of the Czech Republic. Between the years 2005 and 2007 he was Chairman of the Foreign Affairs, Defence and Security Committee of the Senate. From January 2007 to May 2009 he was Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic. Since May 2010 he was Member of the Parliament of the Czech Republic (Chamber of Deputies). On July 2010 he was appointed First Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Czech Republic. Mr. Schwarzenberg has 3 children (Jan, Anna-Carolina and Karel-Filip).

REPUBLIQUE TCHEQUE / CZECH REPUBLIC



Tomáš Chalupa

Minister of the Environment

Tomáš Chalupa was born on 3 July 1974 in Prague. He studied at three Faculties of Charles University in Prague: the Faculty of Social Sciences, Department of Journalism and Mass Communication (1993 – 1995), the Faculty of Arts, Department of Political Sciences and History (1993 – 1996) and the Faculty of Law (1994 – 2002). He was employed as an editor in the newspapers *Večerník Praha* and *Denní Telegraph*, where he was also Deputy Editor-in-Chief (1996 – 1997); he was the spokesperson and head of the press department of the Government of the Czech Republic (1997 – 1998) and also an employee of the central office of the Civic Democratic Party (1998).

He has been a member of the Civic Democratic Party since 1992 and Chairman of the Area Association of the Civic Democratic Party of Prague 6 since 2002; he has also been the Vice Chairman of the Prague Regional Association of the Civic Democratic Party (2004 – April 2010, since December 2010). He was the Mayor of the Prague 6 City Ward between 2002 and the beginning of 2011. He was elected to the Chamber of Deputies of the Parliament of the Czech Republic in the 2010 elections.

President Václav Klaus appointed Tomáš Chalupa Minister of the Environment on 17 January 2011.

Tomáš Chalupa is married and has one son.

REPUBLIQUE TCHEQUE / CZECH REPUBLIC



Martin Kocourek Minister of Industry & Trade

Mr. Kocourek was born 23 December 1966 in Moravska Trebova. He studied Economics and Management at the Czech Technical University in Prague. In 1992 he was elected to the Federal Assembly (ODS – Civic Democratic Party). Between the years 1992 and 1997 he worked as an advisor to Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus. During the process of economic transformation and privatization, Mr. Kocourek was a member of statutory bodies of the councils of state and semi-state companies (Ceska sporitelna, UNIPETROL, etc.).

Between the years 1997 and 2005 he was a member of the Presidium of the Land Fund of the Czech Republic. In 1998 he became Member of the Parliament (ODS), where he held the position of Deputy Chairman of the Budget Committee until 2006. Since 2006 he held the position of the chairman of the Supervisory Board of ČEZ. Since 2006 he has been engaged in economic advisory. Mr. Kocourek is active in several non-profit organizations, including the Vaclav Klaus Fund.

Since July 2010, he has been serving as the Minister of Industry and Trade of the Czech Republic.

ROUMANIE / ROMANIA



Mircea Geoană Président du Sénat

Mircea Geoană est Président du Sénat de la Roumanie depuis décembre 2008 et a été Président du Parti social-démocrate (PSD) entre 2005 et 2010. Précédemment, il a été Président de la Commission des Affaires étrangères du Sénat roumain et membre de la Commission Commune pour l'Intégration européenne du Parlement de la Roumanie.

Mircea Geoană a été candidat à la Présidence de la Roumanie en 2009 et a obtenu un résultat de 49,6% des voix.

Avant de commencer la carrière politique, Mircea Geoană a eu une activité diplomatique de succès. Nommé Ambassadeur extraordinaire et plénipotentiaire de la Roumanie aux Etats-Unis à l'âge de 37 ans, en février 1996, il a été le plus jeune Ambassadeur du corps diplomatique roumain. Entre 2000 et 2004, Mircea Geoană a été Ministre des Affaires étrangères de la Roumanie. Il a aussi été Président en exercice de l'OSCE en 2001 et en 2005 représentant personnel du Président en exercice de la Géorgie à l'OSCE.

Mircea Geoană est membre fondateur et Président de l'Institut Aspen Roumanie depuis 2006 et membre du Board de l'Institut Aspen Etats Unis, Aspen Italie et Aspen Allemagne. Il est aussi membre fondateur d'Harvard Club Roumanie – République de Moldavie, membre fondateur de l'Association des Anciens Etudiants de l'E.N.A et Président d'Honneur de l'Association George C. Marshall Roumanie.

Ancien étudiant de l'Institut Polytechnique Bucarest et de la Faculté de Droit de l'Université Bucarest, Mircea Geoană est licencié de l'Ecole Nationale d'Administration en 1992. Mircea Geoană est aussi diplômé d'Harvard Business School en 1999, après avoir suivi le World Bank Group Executive Development Program. Il a un doctorat en économie mondiale à l'Académie d'Etudes économiques de Bucarest.

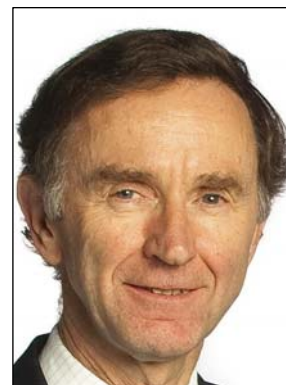
Mircea Geoană est l'auteur des nombreux livres: „La politique étrangère de la Roumanie au début du XXI-em siècle – Le chemin vers l'Europe et le monde transatlantique”, „L'Amérique, l'Europe et la modernisation de la Roumanie: les fondements d'un modèle roumain de société”, „Le modèle social roumain: le chemin vers une nouvelle Roumanie”, „Confiance”, etc.

Mircea Geoană a été décoré Commandeur de l'Ordre National „L'Etoile de Roumanie” en décembre 2000 et a reçu la Légion d'Honneur en 2002.

Ne le 14 Juillet 1958, Mircea Geoană est marié avec Mihaela, de profession architecte. Mircea et Mihaela Geoană ont deux enfants, Ana Maria et Alexandru.

Mircea Geoană parle couramment le français, l'anglais, l'espagnol et l'italien.

ROYAUME-UNI / UNITED KINGDOM



Lord Green

Minister of State for Trade & Investment

Lord Green was appointed Minister of State for Trade and Investment on 11 January 2011.

Lord Green began his career with the British Government's Ministry of Overseas Development. In 1977, he joined McKinsey & Co Inc, management consultants, with whom he undertook assignments in Europe, North America and the Middle East.

He joined The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited in 1982 with responsibility for corporate planning activities, and, in 1985, was put in charge of the development of the bank's global treasury operations. In 1992, he became Group Treasurer of HSBC Holdings plc, with responsibility for the HSBC Group's treasury and capital markets businesses globally.

In March 1998, he was appointed to the Board of HSBC Holdings plc as Executive Director, Investment Banking and Markets responsible for the investment banking, private banking and asset management activities of the Group. He assumed additional responsibility for the Group's corporate banking business in May 2002. He became Group Chief Executive on 1 June 2003 and Group Chairman on 26 May 2006. He was a director of HSBC Bank plc, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Limited and of HSBC North America Holdings Inc.

Lord Green became Chairman of the British Bankers' Association in November 2006.

On 24 May 2010, he was elected Deputy President of the Confederation of British Industry, and on 1 July 2010 he was elected the Vice-Chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce. A trustee of The British Museum, he is also an honorary trustee of Peking University. In April 2009 he was appointed a non-executive director of BASF SE.

Stephen Green is married with two daughters.



Stephen O'Brien

Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for International Development

Stephen O'Brien was appointed as Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for International Development on 13 May 2010. Stephen O'Brien is the Conservative Member of Parliament for Eddisbury, a seat he was elected to in the July 1999 by-election.

Before politics, after practising as a solicitor in the City of London for 7 years, Stephen O'Brien was a manufacturing industrialist as International Director and Company Secretary of FTSE 100 company, Redland PLC – building materials producers.

Prior to his appointment at DFID he was a Shadow Minister for Health and Social Care. Previously he served as the Shadow Minister for Skills and Higher Education, Shadow Secretary of State for Industry, Shadow Minister for the Treasury, Opposition Whip and Parliamentary Private Secretary to the Chairman of the Conservative Party. He has been a member of the House of Commons Select Committee on Education and Employment.

In addition he was founder and Chairman of the All Party Group on Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases, also of the Tanzania Group (the country of his birth) and Vice Chairman of the All Party Aid Trade & Debt Group.

He was Vice-Chairman of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, a Director-Trustee of the Innovative Vector Control Consortium and as a leading campaigner globally against malaria he chaired NGO, the Malaria Consortium, between 2006 and taking up his Government post. He is a Trustee of the City of London Sinfonia and a classical pianist himself. Stephen is married to Gemma. They have two sons and a daughter.

SLOVENIE / SLOVENIA



Danilo Türk President

Dr Danilo Türk was born on 19 February 1952 in Maribor, Slovenia. He studied at the Faculty of Law in Ljubljana, where he obtained his law degree (1975). In 1978 he obtained his masters degree in law from Belgrade University, became an academic assistant and started teaching International Law at the Faculty of Law in Ljubljana. In 1982, he obtained his doctorate from the Faculty of Law in Ljubljana with a thesis on "The principle of non-intervention in international relations and in international law". From 1984 to 1992 he was member of the United Nations Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities as an independent expert. In 1992 Dr Türk assumed the position of Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia to the United Nations. During Slovenia's term as non-permanent member of the Security Council he was President of the Security Council in August 1998 and again in November 1999. In 2000, Mr Kofi Annan appointed Dr Türk as Assistant Secretary-General for Political Affairs. For more than five years his tasks included analytical and consulting activity relating to the crisis situations of the time. Dr Türk returned to Slovenia in the summer of 2005 and since May 2006 he has served as Vice-Dean of the Faculty of Law. In November 2007 he was elected President of the Republic of Slovenia and was inaugurated on 22 December 2007.

SLOVENIE / SLOVENIA



Mitja Gaspari Minister of Development & European Affairs

Mitja Gaspari was born in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on 25 November 1951. In 1975, he graduated with a degree in Financial and Monetary Economics from the University of Ljubljana. In 1989, he obtained a masters degree in Monetary Economics from the University of Belgrade.

Mitja Gaspari began his career with the National Bank of Slovenia in 1975. He held various positions within the National Bank, becoming Deputy Governor in 1987. In 1988, he was appointed Deputy Governor of the National Bank of Yugoslavia and held the position until the bank dissolved in 1991. In September of the same year, Mr. Gaspari moved to Washington DC where he worked as a Senior Financial Economist in the Trade & Finance Division, Technical Department of the Europe & USSR Region.

In the summer of 1992 Mitja Gaspari became Minister of Finance of the Republic of Slovenia and served two full terms. In the autumn of 2000, he was elected Member of Parliament but gave up his seat in April 2001 to become Governor of the Bank of Slovenia. In this capacity, Mr. Gaspari was also a member of the Governing Council of the European Central Bank and a member of the General Council of the European Central Bank. During his mandate Slovenia successfully introduced the euro as the country's currency becoming the thirteenth country to join the Eurozone.

From 2007, until his appointment as Minister for Development and European Affairs; of the Republic of Slovenia, Mr. Gaspari was a Senior Fellow at the EIPF Economic Institute. He has written several articles for international journals and publications and participated in numerous debates and conferences, most recently a publication entitled: "Monetary Policy Instruments in the Period Before the Adoption of the Euro."

Minister Gaspari lives in Ljubljana and is married to wife, Mirjana.

SLOVENIE / SLOVENIA



Darja Radić

Minister of the Economy

Born on 7 December 1965 in Jesenice – graduated in 1989 from the Faculty of Economics, University of Ljubljana, with the thesis “Galbraith's analysis of modern capitalism”. In 2001, she finished her master's course at the same faculty with the thesis “Proposed model of destination management in Kranjska Gora tourist resort”. In 1992, within a project of the Slovenian Ministry of Small Business, she completed a training programme at GEA College Ljubljana and obtained a certificate from the aforementioned ministry that she is qualified for providing counselling and promotion services for small businesses. In 2006, she became a research and development partner in the tourism research group at the College of Tourism in Portorož (Turistica), University of Primorska; she is registered as a researcher at the Slovenian Research Agency. In the same year she became a habilitated senior college lecturer for tourism management, and vocational college lecturer for corporate economics and management. In 2008, upon the proposal of the Vocational College for Catering and Tourism in Bled she was awarded the title of vocational college counsellor for corporate economics and project management. From 1989 to 1994 she was employed by the Municipality of Jesenice, responsible for strategic development of the community.

From 1994 to 1996, she was employed by the construction company Gradbeno podjetje Grosuplje, d. d., as a financial controller of construction projects and the company's internal units. Until the end of 1998 she worked for the Municipality of Kranjska Gora in the capacity of adviser for tourism and investments.

From 1999 to 2001, she was manager of Destination management organization of Kranjska Gora. From 2001 to 2005, she was first state undersecretary and head of the Tourism Division and later secretary and head of Tourism Directorate in the Ministry of the Economy. From 2005 until 1 October 2008, she was head of the Project Management Service at the College of Tourism in Portorož (Turistica), University of Primorska. On 22 November 2008, the Government of the Republic of Slovenia appointed Ms Radić as State Secretary at the Ministry of the Economy. On 16 July 2010 she was appointed as Minister of the Economy.

SLOVENIE / SLOVENIA

Roko Žarnić

Minister of the Environment & Spatial Planning



Prof. Dr. Roko Žarnić, Civ.Eng. was born in Ljubljana on 9 April 1950. He is married and has one son. He graduated in 1974 from the Faculty of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy of the University of Ljubljana, and received his master's degree there in 1985 and his Ph.D. in 1992. After graduation in 1974, he was employed at the Institute for Research into Materials and Structures (ZRMK) in Ljubljana, started his career as a researcher and reached the position of Acting Director-General in 1992. In 1993, he obtained the position of Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Architecture, Civil Engineering and Geodesy of the University of Ljubljana. In addition, he remained employed on a part time basis at ZRMK in leading positions until 2 February 2010. In 1999, he visited the University of Colorado, Boulder, USA as a Fulbright Scholar and in 2006 spent six months at the Research Institute of the European Commission JRC IPSI ELSA in Ispra, Italy as a national detached expert. He was elected Assistant Professor in 1993, Associate Professor for the first time in 1998 and again in 2003, each time in the field of testing materials and structures. In 2009, he was elected to the title of Full Professor in the field of construction materials. In 1995, in the process of the reorganization of the faculty, he established the Chair of Testing Materials and Structures, which he led until February 2010. His research career in ZRMK started in earthquake engineering, in which he performed a number of laboratory and field investigations and research into the behaviour of structures. In particular, he focused on research into the seismic resistance of masonry buildings, most of which belonged to the cultural heritage. He has developed and field-tested methods of repairing and consolidating masonry structures. He contributed to the post-earthquake renovation of the Posočje region after the first earthquake in 1977 and in Montenegro after the earthquake in 1979. His significant contributions to international knowledge in the field of earthquake engineering include the development of an experimentally supported computational model for non-linear analysis of the response of buildings with masonry infilled frames, which was the basis of his master's and doctoral studies. On his arrival at the university, he continued his work on brick and wooden construction elements and, in the last eight years, also on the development of structures of reinforced plastic. His research interest has recently also extended to the field of modern constructions of load-bearing laminated glass. He has participated in the preparation of a new generation of Eurocodes for reinforced plastic and glass constructions. A major part of his research efforts was devoted to the protection and preventive conservation of buildings of the cultural heritage. He established the Slovenian Construction Technology Platform in 2004, has coordinated Group 4, for the Environment and Civil Engineering at the Council on Competitiveness of the Republic of Slovenia since 2008 and since 2009 he has been a member of the scientific council of the programming guide for the national budget of Slovenia. Since the establishment of the European Construction Technology Platform (ECTP, www.ectp.org) in 2004, he has been a member of its leadership and coordinator of the Focus Area Cultural Heritage. He has taken part in a number of national and international research projects. The most significant were six bilateral, eight EUREKA, six COST and 14 projects funded under framework programs of the European Commission. The first two were already funded in the 4th FP (1992-1996), the last four have been funded within the 7th FP. He coordinates an international consortium for one of these projects. He has co-organized three international conferences in the field of renovation of the cultural heritage (1995 Ljubljana/Bled, Cavtat 2006, Ljubljana 2008) The results of his research have been published in three monographs, nine chapters in books, fifty three contributions to national and eighty seven to international conferences and thirty four articles in national and international journals. In the ISI database there are 46 citations of his work and even more in contributions at conferences and in books by foreign authors. He has participated in more than ten committees of scientific conferences, as documented in their journals. He is a reviewer of project proposals for the Italian Ministry of Science and Higher Education and in Slovenia. He has been invited to give a total of about thirty lectures at universities and institutes in the USA, Mexico, China, India, Italy, Croatia, Great Britain, Czech Republic, Hungary and Turkey. His research achievements have been recognised by the Boris Kidrič Fund Award in 1986, Municipality of Ljubljana Bežigrad Award in 1987, Slovenian Chamber of Engineers Award in 2008 and gold plaque of UL FGG at its 90th anniversary. His research and professional activities have been supported by the research work of students who have achieved professional degrees under his supervision. A total of sixty students have completed graduation, six have achieved their master's degree and four a doctoral degree. The results of his teaching, research and technical work have been published in a number of titles, listed in the cobiss.si database under code 05772.

SUEDE / SWEDEN

Jan Björklund

Minister for Education & Research, Deputy Prime Minister

Born on 18 April 1962 in Skene, Västergötland.

Mr Björklund is married with two children.

Education

1985: Completed officer programme

Positions and assignments

2010: Minister for Education, Deputy Prime Minister

2007-2010: Minister for Education

2007: Elected as Party Leader of the Liberal Party

2006-2007: Minister for Schools

2002, 2006: Chair of the centre-right group on education in the run-up to the 2002 and 2006 elections

2002-2006: Opposition councillor

1998-2002: Stockholm City Commissioner for schools

1994-1998: Opposition councillor

1991: Municipal politician in Stockholm, member of the local education authority

1982-1994: Career Officer in the Swedish Armed Forces



SUEDE / SWEDEN



Ewa Björling Minister for Trade

Age: 49

Married, two children

Education

1987 University Degree in Dental Surgery, Karolinska Institutet

1988 Registered Dental Surgeon

1993 PhD (Medicine), Karolinska Institutet

1999 Associate Professor, Karolinska Institutet

Political appointment

2007: Minister for Trade

Previous Official Duties

2002-2007: Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs

2006-2007: Deputy member of The Advisory Council on Foreign Affairs

2006-2007: Deputy member of The Committee on the Constitution

2002-2007: Deputy member of the Committee on Education

2007: Chairman of the Swedish national council for HIV prevention

2004-2007: Board member of the Swedish Social Insurance office

2002-2007: Board Member of the moderate party's regional board of Stockholm

2003-2007: Board member of the moderate party's municipal board of Ekerö

2006-2007: Deputy member of the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation

2003-2007: Deputy member of the Swedish Gene Technology Advisory Board

2006-2007: Chairman of the Swedish delegation EMPA (Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly)

2003-2007: Swedish conservative representative in the European People's party in Working group no. 5 "Foreign and Security Policy"

2005-2007: Chairman of the Swedish-American Parliamentarian Friendship Association

2005-2007: Member of the Advisory board for Global Philanthropy Hudson Institute

2006-2007: Member of the IPU working group for HIV/aids

1999-2002: Chair, Social Welfare Committee, Ekerö

1999-2002: Member, Municipal Executive Board, Ekerö

1999-2006: Member, Municipal Executive Board, Ekerö

2005-2006: Chair, Municipal Executive Board, Ekerö

2003-2007: Member of the Board, Sida



Johann N. Schneider-Ammann

Head of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs (FDEA)

As head of the Federal Department of Economic Affairs (FDEA) Federal Councillor Johann N. Schneider-Ammann is one of the seven members of the Federal Council, Switzerland's cabinet.

The FDEA reflects all aspects of the country's economic activity: from agriculture to vocational education and training, from the labour market to research, or from consumer affairs to foreign trade.

The FDEA consists of seven federal offices and other affiliated agencies. The State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO is the federal government's centre of expertise for all core issues relating to economic and trade policy. Its aim is to ensure sustainable economic growth by putting in place the necessary regulatory and economic conditions. As head of the FDEA, Federal Councillor Schneider-Ammann is responsible for the country's optimal foreign economic policy positioning. At the multilateral level, the negotiations under the Doha Round of the World Trade Organisation (WTO) are of the utmost importance. At the same time, Switzerland also seeks to safeguard its interests on the basis of bilateral free trade agreements. At the national level, the FDEA establishes the regulatory framework and economic conditions which provide Swiss businesses and foreign companies located in Switzerland with sound prospects for the future.

Other fields under Johann N. Schneider-Ammann's remit as head of the FDEA include the labour market, vocational education and training, technology and innovation. These subjects are overseen by SECO and the Federal Office for Professional Education and Technology. One of the main aims is to ensure a favourable environment for job creation through flexible labour market conditions, where facilitated labour market access for young people, women and older workers are among the priorities.

In addition, the Federal Office for Agriculture and the Federal Veterinary Office are also part of the FDEA. Johann N. Schneider-Ammann will be implementing four key priorities through the 'Agriculture Policy 2014-2017' plan: safe food production, efficient use of resources, safeguarding vital rural space and further encouraging business-mindedness in the agricultural and food sectors.

Before taking up his position as head of the FDEA on 1 November 2010, Johann N. Schneider-Ammann was a member of the National Council for eleven years for the FDP.The Liberals. During this time he was a member of the Committee for Economic Affairs and Taxation.

Federal Councillor Schneider-Ammann was born in 1952 and is an electrical engineer by profession (Dipl. El. Ing. ETH). Before his election to the Federal Council he was president and delegate of the Ammann Group. Johann N. Schneider-Ammann is married and the father of two grown children.

SUISSE / SWITZERLAND



Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch

Secrétaire d'Etat et Directrice du Secrétariat d'Etat à l'économie

Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch (*1961), avocate de formation et titulaire d'un MBA, a été nommée secrétaire d'Etat et directrice du Secrétariat d'Etat à l'économie (SECO), et est entrée en fonctions le 1er avril 2011. Elle est également à la tête de la Direction des affaires économiques extérieures.

Nommée ambassadeur et déléguée du Conseil fédéral aux accords commerciaux en 2007, Mme Ineichen-Fleisch a aussi été négociatrice en chef de la Suisse auprès de l'Organisation mondiale du commerce (OMC) et membre de la direction du SECO. En sa qualité de responsable du centre de prestations Commerce mondial à la Direction des affaires économiques extérieures, Mme Ineichen-Fleisch s'est par ailleurs occupée des relations avec l'OCDE et de la négociation des accords de libre-échange.

Elle a dirigé le secteur OMC de 1999 à 2007, après avoir été, depuis 1995, cheffe de section au sein de la division OMC de l'ancien Office fédéral des affaires économiques extérieures (OFAEE). De 1992 à 1993, elle a travaillé à la Banque mondiale (Washington DC, Etat-Unis) en tant qu'assistante du directeur exécutif suisse. Entre 1990 et 1995, elle a exercé la fonction d'adjointe scientifique au service juridique et à la section Investissements internationaux et transfert de technologie de l'OFAEE.

En 1989, elle a obtenu un MBA à l'INSEAD (Fontainebleau, France), après avoir occupé un poste de junior consultant chez McKinsey, à Zurich, en 1988. Elle a terminé ses études de droit à l'Université de Berne en 1987, et elle a obtenu son brevet d'avocat.

TURQUIE / TURKEY



Mr. İbrahim Halil Çanakçı Undersecretary of the Treasury

Mr. İbrahim H. Çanakçı was born in 1962 in Elazığ. After he graduated from Elazığ High School, he completed his studies in Economics at the Faculty of Political Sciences in Ankara University.

He started his professional life in 1986 as an associate expert at the State Planning Organization (SPO). In 1992 he received the expert title. In this period, he has worked in analysis of macroeconomic developments, forecasting, and the establishment of macro balances of annual and 5-year development plans.

Throughout the 1989-1991 period, he studied at the Michigan State University, US and earned the masters degree in Economics.

Upon his return to the SPO, he worked as the Head of Conjuncture Department from May 1994 - December 2000.

He pursued his career in the Banking Regulation and Supervision Agency (BRSA) after December 2000. Following his tenure as the Department Head of Economic Evaluations for about two years, he became the Vice Chairman to the Banking Regulation and Supervision Board on December 11, 2002.

On May 5, 2003 he was appointed as the Undersecretary of Treasury.

He has several studies on macroeconomic analysis, forecasting and conjuncture evaluation and is fluent in English.

Mr. Çanakçı is married with two children.

Meeting of the OECD Council at Ministerial Level
Réunion du Conseil au niveau des ministres
25-26 May 2011



International Organisations



UNION EUROPEENNE / EUROPEAN UNION



José Manuel Barroso

President of the European Commission

José Manuel Barroso was born in Lisbon on 23 March 1956. After graduating in law from the University of Lisbon, he moved to Geneva where he completed a Diploma in European Studies at the European University Institute, University of Geneva, and a Master's degree in Political Science from the Department of Political Science, Faculty of Economics and Social Sciences, University of Geneva, earning an honors in both.

He embarked on an academic career, working successively as a teaching assistant at the Law Faculty of the University of Lisbon, in the Department of Political Science, University of Geneva, and as a visiting professor at the Department of Government and School of Foreign Service, Georgetown University (Washington, D.C.). In 1995, he became Head of the International Relations Department of Lusíada University, Lisbon. In 1979, he founded the University Association for European Studies.

His political career began in 1980 when he joined the Social Democratic Party (PSD). He was named President of the party in 1999 and re-elected three times. During the same period, he served as Vice President of the European People's Party. In April 2002, he was elected Prime Minister of Portugal. He remained in office until July 2004 when he became President of the European Commission. He was re-elected for another five year term by the European Parliament in September 2009.

José Manuel Barroso was awarded honorary degrees by Roger Williams University, Rhode Island (2005), Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. (2006), University of Genoa, Italy (2006), University of Kobe (2006) and Sapienza University of Rome (2007). He was also declared "European of the year 2006" by the magazine European Voice. He is the author of numerous publications on political science, international relations and the European Union, including "Le système politique portugais face à l'intégration européenne", Lisbon and Lausanne, 1983; "Uma Certa Ideia de Europa", 1999; "Mudar de Modelo", 2002 and "Reformar: Dois Anos de Governo", 2004.

He is married to Margarida Sousa Uva. The couple have three children: Luís, Guilherme and Francisco.



Karel De Gucht

Commissioner for Trade

He entered European Parliament in 1980 and switched to Belgian politics in 1994, where over the years he has served as a Senator, a member of the Flemish Parliament and the federal House of Representatives. He was president of the Flemish Liberals and Democrats (VLD) from 1999 to 2004, when he entered the Belgian government as Minister of Foreign Affairs, later adding minister for Trade and Vice-Prime Minister to his portfolio.

In 2009 he became European Commissioner for Development and Humanitarian aid.

Karel has a law degree from the VUB in Brussels, where prior to his appointment to the Commission he was also professor in European Law.



Andris Piebalgs

Commissioner for Development

Andris Piebalgs is an experienced Latvian politician who occupied key positions in both national and European political fields. During the first Barroso Commission, starting in November 2004, he was the European Commissioner for Energy. In that capacity, he led the development of a more competitive, sustainable and secure European energy system. In 2009, Andris Piebalgs received the "Diamond Prize" from the Regional Chamber of Commerce in Katowice (Poland) for his work in developing a cohesive European Energy Policy for the further generations. In 2009, the Energy Efficiency Global Forum presented him the Energy Efficiency Visionary Awards for his "outstanding contributions to the advancement of energy efficiency".

Before joining the Commission, Andris Piebalgs pursued a political career, occupying strategic ministerial portfolios. He was also a high-ranking diplomat, helping Latvia to play its role in the EU.

Earlier in his career, while Latvia was still part of the Soviet Union, Andris Piebalgs worked as a teacher and was the Headmaster of the 1st Secondary School of Valmiera (1980-1990). He also served as Director of the Department in the Ministry of Education in Latvia.

On 7 May 1990, Andris Piebalgs was appointed as Minister of Education in the new Government, and one year later, in August 1991, Latvia regained full independence. Andris Piebalgs' main task was then to put in place the first independent education system in Latvia.

In 1993, Andris Piebalgs won a seat in the Latvian Parliament, when the first elections after restoration of independence were held according to the Latvian election law. He served as the Chairman of the Budget and Finance Committee until 1994. At this time, he became Latvia's Finance Minister and Deputy Prime Minister.

From 1995 until 2003, he worked in the Latvian Diplomatic service. Andris Piebalgs first served as the Ambassador of Latvia in Estonia (1995-1997), where he helped to solve the sea border issue between the two states. In 1997 he became the Latvian Ambassador to the EU. In this capacity he helped to establish Latvia as the EU candidate country and led the accession negotiations, which resulted in Latvia's successful accession to the EU in 2004.

From 2003 to 2004, he was appointed Deputy Secretary of State for EU affairs at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Latvia. His role was instrumental in coordinating Latvia's position in the European Council and all Council formations. At the time, he also established the new development assistance policy for Latvia.

Andris Piebalgs was born on 17 September 1957 in Valmiera, Latvia. Piebalgs is a graduate in Physics from the University of Latvia. In addition to Latvian, he speaks English, French, German and Russian. Born in 1969 in Vienna, Andreas Schieder studied economics at the University of Vienna. Currently he serves as State Secretary at the Federal Ministry of Finance and is actually concentrating on policies needed to tackle the economic crisis. In this respect models for a financial transaction tax are in the focus of Andreas Schieder's interest.

The dedication to foreign policy and international relations has ever since formed major part of Schieder's political career. In 1997 Schieder became President of the European Young Socialists (ECOSY). From 1997 to 2006 Andreas Schieder was Member of the Municipal Council of Vienna, followed by being Member of the Austrian Parliament from 2006 to 2008. From 2007 to 2008 Schieder was International Secretary of the Social Democratic Party, Spokesperson for Foreign Affairs and Chairman of the Parliamentarian Committee on Foreign Affairs as well as Member of the Parliamentarian Assembly of the Council of Europe. Before serving in the Federal Ministry of Finance he held the position of a State Secretary in the Federal Chancellery.

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Olli Rehn

Commissioner for Economic & Monetary Affairs

Olli Rehn has been EU Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs since February 2010. Before that he served as EU Commissioner for Enlargement (November 2004 – February 2010) and EU Commissioner for Enterprise and Information Society (July - October 2004). He earlier headed the Office of Commissioner Erkki Liikanen between 1998 and 2002.

In 2002-2003 Olli Rehn worked as Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Helsinki.

He was a member of the Finnish Parliament from 1991 until 1995 and also chaired the Finnish delegation to the Council of Europe. He was a member of the European Parliament in 1995-1996. He was deputy chairman of the Center Party from 1988 until 1994 and chairman of the Centre Youth in 1987-89.

Olli Rehn has a D.Phil. in international political economy from Oxford University (1996) and MA in political science from the University of Helsinki (1989). In 1982-1983 he studied economics, international relations and journalism at Macalester College in Saint Paul, Minnesota.

ASSOCIATION EUROPEENNE DE LIBRE ECHANGE / EUROPEAN FREE TRADE ASSOCIATION



Kåre Bryn Secretary-General

The Secretary-General coordinates the Association's activities and is responsible for the overall management of the organisation's resources. He is assisted by two Deputy Secretaries-General, one at the EFTA Headquarters in Geneva, the other in Brussels.

Work Experience

2006-Present: European Free Trade Association. Secretary General.

2003-2006: Norwegian Embassy, The Hague. Ambassador to the Netherlands.

1999-2003: Permanent Mission of Norway, Geneva. Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the European Free Trade Association and the World Trade Organization (WTO).

1989-1999: Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Director-General of the Department for Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs.

1984-1989: Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Head of Division (1984). Assistant Director General (1985-1989). Multilateral Economic Cooperation.

1979-1984: Permanent Mission of Norway, Geneva. First Secretary. Counsellor (1983). UNCTAD, GATT, ECE.

1976-1979: Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Executive Officer. Multilateral issues related to development and international economic relations.

1974-1976: Norwegian Embassy, Belgrade. First Secretary.

1971-1974: Norwegian Embassy, London. Attaché/Second Secretary.

1969: Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Trainee.

1968: Education. Graduated from the Norwegian School of Economics and Business Administration.



Mahmoud Mohieldin

Managing Director

Mr. Mohieldin is a World Bank Managing Director, responsible for the Bank's knowledge development as represented through the Networks: Finance and Private Sector Development; Sustainable Development; Poverty Reduction and Economic Management; and Human Development; and the World Bank Institute. As the World Bank's representative at the G20 Deputies Meetings, he also oversees the Bank's work in support of the G20 agenda.

Prior to joining the World Bank, Mr. Mohieldin held numerous positions in the Government of Egypt and served on several Boards of Directors in the Central Bank of Egypt and the corporate sector. He was a member of the Commission on Growth and Development and selected a Young Global Leader of the World Economic Forum in 2005.

His professional reach extends into the academic arena, serving as Member of the Board of several universities in Egypt and holding leading positions in national and regional research centers and think tanks. As a Professor of Economics, he has authored numerous publications and articles in leading journals in the fields of international finance and economics in English and Arabic. Topics include financial reform, prudential regulations, credit markets, exchange rate and monetary policies, trade in services, globalization, corporate governance and competition policy. He received his Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Warwick and a Master of Science in Economic and Social Policy Analysis from the University of York.

BANQUE DES REGLEMENTS INTERNATIONAUX / BANK FOR INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENTS



Jaime Caruana General Manager

Jaime Caruana became General Manager of the Bank for International Settlements on 1 April 2009.

Previously, Mr Caruana was Financial Counsellor to the Managing Director and Director of the Monetary and Capital Markets Department of the International Monetary Fund.

From 2000 to 2006, Mr Caruana was the Governor of the Bank of Spain, Spain's central bank, and in that capacity, served on the Governing Council of the European Central Bank.

He was also the Chairman of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision from 2003 to 2006 and has been a member of the Financial Stability Forum since 2003. From 2004 to 2006, he chaired the Coordination Group, a senior group of supervisory standard setters from the Basel Committee, the International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO), the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), and the Joint Forum.

Prior to joining the Bank of Spain, Mr Caruana served as Director General of the Spanish Treasury and headed an investment services company and a fund management company for nearly 10 years.

FONDS MONETAIRE INTERNATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL MONETARY FUND



Gilles Bauche

Advisor, Offices in Europe

Gilles Bauche is Advisor in the IMF Offices in Europe. Prior to that, he was Advisor in the IMF's External Relations Department and in The World Bank's Poverty Reduction and Economic Management; as well as Alternate Executive Director for France at the IMF Executive Board and Senior Advisor at The World Bank Board. Before that, Mr. Bauche was Deputy Division Chief in the French Treasury.

ORGANISATION INTERNATIONALE DU TRAVAIL / INTERNATIONAL LABOUR ORGANIZATION



Stephen Pursey

Director of the Policy Integration Department and Senior Adviser to
the Director-General

Stephen Pursey is Director of the Policy Integration Department and Senior Adviser to the Director-General of the International Labour Organization.

Amongst the issues he has worked on are the impact of globalization on poverty reduction and decent work, freedom of association and the right to bargain collectively, sustainable development and trade and investment issues. He is currently working on follow-up to the ILO/IMF Oslo Conference of September 2010 and the ILO's contributions to the G20 process.

ORGANISATION MONDIALE DU COMMERCE / WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION



Pascal Lamy Director-General

Mr. Pascal Lamy is Director-General of the World Trade Organization (WTO) since September 2005.

Mr. Lamy holds degrees from the Paris based Ecole des Hautes Etudes Commerciales (HEC), from the Institut d'Etudes Politiques (IEP) and from the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA). He began his career in the French civil service at the Inspection Générale des finances and at the Treasury. He then became an advisor to the Finance Minister Jacques Delors, and subsequently to Prime Minister Pierre Mauroy.

In Brussels from 1985 to 1994, Pascal Lamy was Chief of staff for the President of the European Commission, Jacques Delors, and his representative as Sherpa in the G7.

In November 1994, he joined the team in charge of rescuing the French bank, Credit Lyonnais, and later became CEO of the bank until its privatisation in 1999.

Between 1999 and 2004, Pascal Lamy was Commissioner for Trade at the European Commission under Romano Prodi.

After his tenure in Brussels, Pascal Lamy spent a short sabbatical period as President of "Notre Europe", a think tank working on European integration, as associate Professor at the l'Institut d'études politiques in Paris and as advisor to Poul Nyrup Rasmussen (President of the European Socialist Party).

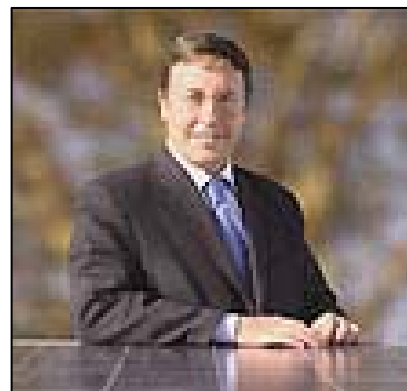
Mr. Lamy was reappointed Director-General of the World Trade Organization by its Members for a second mandate in May 2009.

PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES POUR L'ENVIRONNEMENT / UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME

Achim Steiner

Executive Director &

Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations



Acting on the nomination of Secretary-General Kofi Annan, the UN General Assembly in 2006 unanimously elected Achim Steiner as the Executive Director of UNEP for a four-year term. He became the fifth Executive Director in UNEP's history. At its 83rd plenary meeting in 2010, the UN General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, re-elected Mr. Achim Steiner as Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme for another four-year term.

In 2009, the Secretary-General also appointed Mr. Steiner as Director General UNON which provides the administrative, conference, security and logistics services to the UN family in Kenya, which hosts offices and projects of more than 60 UN agencies, Funds and Programmes, and over 5,000 staff.

Before joining UNEP, Mr. Steiner served as Director General of the World Conservation Union (IUCN) from 2001 to 2006, and prior to that as Secretary General of the World Commission on Dams. His professional career has included assignments with governmental, non-governmental and international organizations in different parts of the world. He worked both at grassroots level as well as at the highest levels of international policy-making to address the interface between environmental sustainability, social equity and economic development.

Mr. Steiner, a German and Brazilian national, was born in Brazil in 1961. His educational background includes a BA from the University of Oxford as well as an MA from the University of London with specialization in development economics, regional planning, and international development and environment policy. He also studied at the German Development Institute in Berlin as well as the Harvard Business School.

He serves on a number of international advisory boards, including the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED).

PROGRAMME DES NATIONS UNIES POUR LE DEVELOPPEMENT / UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME



Rebeca Grynspan

Associate Administrator, UNDP

Rebeca Grynspan was appointed by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon to the position of UN Under-Secretary-General and UNDP Associate Administrator effective 1 February, 2010.

Before joining the United Nations, Ms. Grynspan was elected Vice-President of Costa Rica from 1994 to 1998. She also served as Housing Minister, Coordinating Minister of Economy, Coordinating Minister of Social Affairs and Vice-Minister of Finance.

At the UN and prior to her current appointment, Ms. Grynspan served as Assistant-Secretary-General and Regional Director for Latin America and the Caribbean at the United Nations Development Programme (2006-2010). Previously, she was Director of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) Sub-regional Headquarters in Mexico, where she also served as Co-Chair of the International Food Policy Research Institute's Executive Board.

Ms. Grynspan is a strong and consistent advocate for human development. She has helped focus global attention on the need to reduce inequality, build social cohesion, empower women, and achieve the world's Millennium Development Goals. Her many contributions include spearheading the design and implementation of Costa Rica's National Plan Against Poverty and initiating Human Development Reports for Latin America and Caribbean which broke new ground in highlighting the inter-generational transmission of inequality.

In addition to her experience as an adviser, lecturer and author, Ms. Grynspan has contributed to key United Nations initiatives such as the Millennium Project's Task Force on Poverty and Economic Development and on the High-Level Panel on Financing for Development. She has worked with multiple Government institutions, national and international organizations as Counselor, Advisor and Researcher.

Ms. Grynspan has authored and co-authored numerous articles and books on social and economic policy, gender and poverty.

Costa Rican, Ms. Grynspan holds a Master's degree in Economics from the University of Sussex (England) and studied Economy and Sociology at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. She is married and has a daughter and a son.

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Angel Gurría Secretary-General

Born on May 8th, 1950, in Tampico, Mexico, Angel Gurría came to the OECD following a distinguished career in public service, including two ministerial posts.

As Mexico's Minister of Foreign Affairs from December 1994 to January 1998, he made dialogue and consensus-building one of the hallmarks of his approach to global issues. From January 1998 to December 2000, he was Mexico's Minister of Finance and Public Credit. For the first time in a generation, he steered Mexico's economy through a change of Administration without a recurrence of the financial crises that had previously dogged such changes. As OECD Secretary-General, since June 2006, he has reinforced the OECD's role as a 'hub' for global dialogue and debate on economic policy issues while pursuing internal modernization and reform. Under his leadership, OECD has expanded its membership to include Chile, Estonia, Israel and Slovenia and opened accession talks with Russia. It has also strengthened links with other major emerging economies, including Brazil, China, India, Indonesia and South Africa, with a view to possible membership. The OECD is now an active participant in both the G-8 and the G-20 Summit processes.

Mr. Gurría has participated in various international not-for-profit bodies, including the Population Council, based in New York, and the Center for Global Development based in Washington. He chaired the International Task Force on Financing Water for All and continues to be deeply involved in water issues. He is a member of the International Advisory Board of Governors of the Centre for International Governance Innovation, based in Canada, and was the first recipient of the Globalist of the Year Award of the Canadian International Council to honour his efforts as a global citizen to promote trans-nationalism, inclusiveness, and a global consciousness.

Mr. Gurría holds a B.A. degree in Economics from UNAM (Mexico), and a M.A. degree in Economics from Leeds University (United Kingdom). He speaks: Spanish, French, English, Portuguese, Italian and some German.

He is married to Dr. Lulu Quintana, a distinguished ophthalmologist, and they have three adult children.

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Aart de Geus

Deputy Secretary-General

As Deputy Secretary-General, Mr. Aart de Geus is responsible for the OECD agenda in the areas of Employment, Labor, Social Affairs, (including Pensions, Health and Migration), Education, Public Governance and Territorial Development. He also oversees the coordination of the horizontal project on Making Reforms Happen, the OECD activities on Gender and Diversity Issues, the preparation of Ministerial Council Meetings.

Mr. de Geus, a Dutch national, was Minister of Social Affairs and Employment in the Netherlands from 2002 until 2007. As Minister, Mr. de Geus introduced major reforms in the Dutch social security system, notably by turning it into an activating system where citizens, employers and local authorities take their own responsibilities. During the four years of his tenure, he concluded major national agreements with social partners on wages, reforms of social security and tax-facilities for early retirement. He chaired the OECD Social Policy Ministerial Meeting in 2005 and has served in various functions at local, national and international level.

From 1998 until 2002, Mr. de Geus was a partner in Boer & Croon, an Amsterdam-based company for strategy and management, where he worked in the fields of governments, health care, pensions and human resource development.

Mr. de Geus served as vice-chairman of the executive board of the National Federation of Christian Trade Unions from 1993 to 1998, where he focused on social security, health care, pensions, labor market policy, income policy and education. He had been member of the Trade Union's executive board since 1988. Prior to that, Mr. de Geus worked as a lawyer in the industry sector of the Christian Trade Union.

Mr. de Geus has a law degree from the Erasmus University in Rotterdam and post-graduate studies in labor law from Nijmegen University. Mr. de Geus is married and has three children. Mr de Geus took up his duties on 5 March 2007.

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Pier Carlo Padoan Deputy Secretary-General

Mr. Pier Carlo Padoan took up his functions as Deputy Secretary-General of the OECD on 1 June 2007. As of 1 December 2009 he was also appointed Chief Economist while retaining his role as Deputy Secretary-General. In addition to heading the Economics Department, Mr. Padoan is the G20 Finance Deputy for the OECD and also leads the Strategic Response, the Green Growth and Innovation initiatives of the Organisation and helps build the necessary synergies between the work of the Economics Department and that of other Directorates.

Mr. Padoan is an Italian national and prior to joining the OECD was Professor of Economics at the University La Sapienza of Rome, and Director of the Fondazione Italianeuropei, a policy think-tank focusing on economic and social issues.

From 2001 to 2005, Mr. Padoan was the Italian Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund, with responsibility for Greece, Portugal, San Marino, Albania and Timor Leste. He served as a member of the Board and chaired a number of Board Committees. During his mandate at the IMF he was also in charge of European Co-ordination.

From 1998 to 2001, Mr. Padoan served as Economic Adviser to the Italian Prime Ministers, Massimo D'Alema and Giuliano Amato, in charge of international economic policies. He was responsible for co-ordinating the Italian position in the Agenda 2000 negotiations for the EU budget, Lisbon Agenda, European Council, bilateral meetings, and G8 Summits. He has been a consultant to the World Bank, European Commission, European Central Bank.

Mr. Padoan has a degree in Economics from the University of Rome and has held various academic positions in Italian and foreign universities, including at the University of Rome, College of Europe (Bruges and Warsaw), Université Libre de Bruxelles, University of Urbino, Universidad de la Plata, and University of Tokyo. He has published widely in international academic journals and is the author and editor of several books.

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Mario Amano
Deputy Secretary-General

Mario Amano was appointed Deputy Secretary-General on 14 June 2007. He is in charge of Environment, Trade and Agriculture, the Development Cluster, the Policy Coherence dossier and Enhanced Engagement with South East Asia.. Prior to joining the OECD, Mr. Amano, a Japanese national, was Acting Executive Director of the Korean Peninsula Energy Development Organization from 2004-2007.

During his successful 34-year career as a Japanese Foreign Affairs Official, he worked on policy issues in the areas of macroeconomic management, trade frictions, development aid, foreign investment, environment and energy. From 1976 to 2000, he was involved in an increasingly senior capacity in all G8 Summit Meetings. Mr. Amano served as Japan's chief negotiator for the Trade Related Investment Measures in the Uruguay Round and as Consul-General in Houston from 2001 to 2004.

Mr. Amano has an economics degree from the University of Tokyo and a Special Diploma in Social Studies from University of Oxford.

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Richard Boucher Deputy Secretary-General

Ambassador Richard A. Boucher took up his duties as Deputy Secretary-General of the OECD in November 5, 2009. Among his responsibilities, he spearheads the Organization's enhanced engagement and accession processes. Ambassador Boucher, a U.S. national, is a senior foreign policy executive who has managed world-wide teams, programs and strategies and brings extensive experience in emerging economies. Over his thirty-year career in foreign policy, he has consistently had challenging assignments and achieved the highest rank in the United States Foreign Service. From 2006 to 2009, as Assistant Secretary of State for South and Central Asia, Ambassador Boucher was involved in high-level negotiations throughout the region, from Kazakhstan to India. Prior to this, he was Spokesman and Assistant Secretary for Public Affairs for five years, crafting the U.S. public approach on critical world issues for three Secretaries of State. In 1999, he served as the U.S. Senior Official for Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation promoting more open trade and an improved investment climate. From 1993 to 1999, he served consecutive terms as the U.S. Ambassador to Cyprus and Consul General in Hong Kong. Ambassador Boucher is fluent in French and Mandarin Chinese. He holds a BA in French and English Literature from Tufts University and undertook further studies in International Economics at George Washington University.

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Nobuo Tanaka Executive Director

Nobuo Tanaka took over as Executive Director of the IEA on 1 September 2007. Prior to that, he had been Director for Science, Technology and Industry at the Paris-based Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Mr. Tanaka began his career in 1973 in the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) in Tokyo. He has extensive national government and international experience within METI, the Embassy of Japan in Washington D.C. and the OECD. Mr. Tanaka first joined the OECD in 1989 as Deputy Director of the Directorate for Science, Technology and Industry, and was promoted to Director in 1992. In 1995, he returned to METI and served in a number of high-ranking positions, the most recent being Director-General, Multilateral Trade System Department, Trade Policy Bureau. In this role he led many trade negotiations for the World Trade Organisation (WTO).

In the energy field, Mr. Tanaka has accumulated a variety of experiences. He was responsible for Japan's involvement with the IEA and the G7 Energy Ministers' Meeting during the second oil crisis. In the late 1980s, he participated in establishing the comprehensive energy policy of Japan and he also oversaw the implementation of Japan's international nuclear energy policy and led negotiations of bilateral nuclear agreements. Mr. Tanaka worked on formulating international strategy as well as co-ordinating domestic environment policy and energy policy in the Kyoto COP 3 negotiation. He was Minister for Industry, Trade and Energy at the Embassy of Japan, Washington DC from 1998-2000.

Mr. Tanaka, a Japanese national, has a degree in Economics from the University of Tokyo and an MBA from Case Western Reserve University, Cleveland, Ohio. He and his wife, Gloria, have two children.

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Charles P. Heeter, Jr

Chairman

Managing Director, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited

Charles P. Heeter Jr. is Managing Director, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu Limited. He directs the Deloitte global public policy program, is responsible for building cooperative relationships with other capital markets stakeholder groups, and coordinates the organization’s global regulatory program. The 150,000 employees of the Deloitte global organization’s member firms and affiliates in more than 140 countries deliver audit, tax, consulting and financial advisory services to clients in the private and public sectors.

Prior to joining Deloitte, Mr. Heeter was a Principal, Associate Principal and Manager with Andersen Worldwide (1984-2002). At Andersen, he created a service center in Washington DC to support the organization’s partners, offices and clients on non-technical international issues; coordinated a worldwide program to address trade and investment barriers in the accounting profession; and supported the firm’s leadership in their participation in international business and professional organizations.

From 1975 to 1984, Mr. Heeter was the Director of Trade and International Affairs for the Government Research Corporation, a Washington DC-based public affairs consulting group. He also served as the legislative research assistant to a Member of Congress, working primarily on international issues.

Mr. Heeter was elected in June 2006 to a two-year term as Chairman of the Business and Industry Advisory Committee (BIAC) to the OECD, representing the interests of business in the 30 OECD member countries and five observer countries. He is Vice Chairman of the Financial Services and Insurance Commission of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), and is a member of the ICC’s Commission on International Trade and Investment. Mr. Heeter also serves as a member of the Executive Committee of the United States Council for International Business, the US affiliate of BIAC and ICC.

Mr. Heeter is Chairman of the Executive Council on Diplomacy, a Washington DC – based non-profit organization serving the diplomatic community, and is Co-chair of the Joint Policy Committee of the Trans-Atlantic Business Dialogue. He is a member and former chairman of the Industry Trade Advisory Committee for Services and Finance, which advises the US Secretary of Commerce and the US Trade Representative. He serves on the Advisory Board of the Washington International Business Council and is Vice-Chairman of the AICPA-NASBA joint International Qualifications Appraisal Board, which develops mutual recognition agreements between the US accounting profession and professional bodies outside the US.

Mr. Heeter holds Bachelor’s and Master’s degrees from Georgetown University’s School of Foreign Service in Washington DC, where his studies focused on international relations and international economic policy.

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Tadahiro Asami Secretary-General

Tadahiro Asami was named BIAC's Secretary General in January 2007. Mr. Asami is responsible for the operational leadership and management of the BIAC. This includes the representation at the OECD of the business communities of 34 member countries with regard to the full spectrum of public policy issues addressed by OECD governments and advanced by the private sector. He has previously served as the Vice Chair of the BIAC Economic Policy Committee. Prior to coming to BIAC, he served as Managing Director of the Institute of International Monetary Affairs (IIMA) from 2000 to 2006, specializing in international financial and monetary studies. In addition to his duties at IIMA, he also served as a Member of the India-Japan Joint Study Group organised by the Japanese Government, as well as the Director of the Working Group at the Network of East Asia Think-Tanks (NEAT). During this time he lectured at universities including Kobe University, Joint Staff College of the Defense Agency, Hosei University and Teikyo University. After graduating from the University of Tokyo, Faculty of Economics, Mr. Asami worked for the Bank of Tokyo (now called the Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ, Ltd. after its merger) for 40 years, mostly in the field of international finance, based in Tokyo, London and New York. He was Managing Director from July 1996 to June 1999 in charge of the Bank's operations in Asia. He has extensive experience in the fields of capital market, project finance, corporate and emerging market finance. He dealt with the financial crises in Latin America in the 1980s and India, Mexico and Asia in the 1990s. He was seconded to international financial institutions during his career at the bank. In 1971, he worked for the World Bank for three years as a capital market specialist to help develop the Tokyo bond market and to raise necessary funds for the World Bank. He was appointed as Treasurer of the Asian Development Bank from June 1993 to June 1996. Mr. Asami was born in Saitama, Japan and is married with three children. He enjoys playing golf, swimming, scuba diving and mountain climbing.

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Harold McGraw III

Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer
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Harold (Terry) McGraw III is chairman, president and chief executive officer of The McGraw-Hill Companies, a leading global financial information and education company that powers the Knowledge Economy. Its brands include Standard & Poor's, McGraw-Hill Education, Platts and J.D. Power and Associates, among others.

Mr. McGraw was elected chairman in December 1999; chief executive officer in 1998; and president and chief operating officer in 1993. He has been a member of The McGraw-Hill Companies' Board of Directors since 1987. Under his leadership, the Corporation has undergone a complete transformation, building a diverse portfolio of knowledge-based, global businesses designed to generate profits throughout a wide variety of economic cycles and market conditions. The Corporation operates four segments: Standard & Poor's, McGraw-Hill Financial, McGraw-Hill Education and Information & Media. Standard & Poor's is the world's foremost provider of independent credit ratings and research. McGraw-Hill Financial provides superior research and analytical tools to investment advisors, wealth managers and institutional investors. McGraw-Hill Education is a global leader that offers a range of innovative learning solutions and digital platforms that covers virtually every aspect of the market from pre-K through professional development. And in Information & Media, the Corporation is a preeminent provider of essential news, information, analysis and solutions globally through J.D. Power and Associates and leading portals for the energy, construction and aviation industries. The Corporation had sales of \$6.2 billion in 2010.

Mr. McGraw, 62, joined The McGraw-Hill Companies in 1980 and has held a number of positions with increasing responsibilities, including vice president, Corporate Planning; publisher, Aviation Week & Space Technology; president, McGraw-Hill Publications Company; and president, McGraw-Hill Financial Services Company. He serves on the Boards of Directors of United Technologies and ConocoPhillips. He is chairman of the Emergency Committee for American Trade (ECAT), chairman of the U.S.-India Business Council, chairman of the United States Council for International Business, a former chairman of Business Roundtable, and vice chairman of the International Chamber of Commerce. He was appointed in November 2009 by President Obama to the U.S.-India CEO Forum and is a member of the U.S. Trade Representative's Advisory Committee for Trade Policy and Negotiations (ACTPN). Consistent with The McGraw-Hill Companies' commitment to supporting community and charitable organizations, Mr. McGraw is chairman of the Committee Encouraging Corporate Philanthropy. Additionally, Mr. McGraw serves on the boards of Asia Society, Carnegie Hall, the Council for Economic Education, New York Public Library, National Organization on Disability, National Academy Foundation, Partnership for New York City, Prep for Prep and the Council for Industry and Higher Education in London.

Mr. McGraw received an M.B.A. from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in 1976 and a B.A. from Tufts University in 1972.

TRADE UNION ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Richard L. Trumka

President

Born July 24, 1949

Rich is President of the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC).

On September 16, 2009, he was elected President of the AFL-CIO by acclamation at the Federation's 26th convention in Pittsburgh, Pa. His election, following 15 years of service as the AFL-CIO's Secretary Treasurer, capped Trumka's rise to leadership of the nation's largest labor federation from humble beginnings in the small coal mining communities of southwest Pennsylvania.

He attended Penn State University, where he graduated in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science degree, and eventually got a law degree from Villanova University in 1974. He worked on the legal staff of the United Mine Workers for four years before returning to mine work in 1979, doing pro bono legal work for local families in the Nemaquin area during his hours away from the mine.

Once back at work in the mining community, Trumka's leadership shone. He rose quickly through the ranks, first serving as chair of UMWA Local 6290's safety committee and later on the union's International Executive Board. At 33, he was elected the UMWA's youngest president. Trumka was sworn into office by his father. Straightaway, he set about reforming the Mine Workers' fractious bureaucracy.

Rich became an early supporter of the civil rights and anti apartheid movements, and continues to challenge prejudice in whatever form it takes. He mobilized international support by building alliances with miners in Australia, South Africa, Europe and Scandinavia and other countries to join the union's fight.

When the Sweeney-Trumka ticket won at the 1995 convention, Rich became the youngest Secretary- Treasurer in AFL-CIO history.

A member of the AFL-CIO Executive Council since 1989, Trumka was instrumental in developing tactics to rally the support of international labor on behalf of U.S. workers struggling for workplace justice against multinational conglomerates. He also served on the executive boards of the International Miners' Federation and the ICFTU and played a key role in organizing a new global coalition of coal miners' unions in five countries.

Rich further strengthened his hand as an outspoken opponent of an unregulated trading regime that is undermining good-paying American jobs by becoming co-chair of the China Currency Coalition.

Trumka chairs the AFL-CIO's Strategic Approaches Committee. He also chairs the AFL-CIO Finance Committee and the AFL-CIO Capital Stewardship Committee.

TRADE UNION ADVISORY COMMITTEE



John Evans General Secretary

John Evans is General Secretary of the Paris-based Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC). Mr. Evans is a British national. Prior to joining TUAC, his previous appointments have included Research Officer at the European Trade Union Institute (ETUI) in Brussels, Industry Secretary at the International Federation of Commercial, Clerical and Technical Employees (FIET) in Geneva and Economist in the Economic Department of the Trades Union Congress (TUC) in London. Mr. Evans has a degree in Politics, Philosophy and Economics from Oxford University (1973). TUAC was founded in 1948, and following the creation of the OECD, it was recognised as an independent body entitled to represent the views of trade unions vis à vis the OECD. Along with the International Trade Union Confederation and the Global Union Federations it is a member of the Council of Global Unions and jointly coordinates union input to the G20 process. It comprises 59 national trade union centres in OECD Member countries, and thus represents some 66 million organised workers.

TRADE UNION ADVISORY COMMITTEE



Sharan Burrow

General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation

Sharan Burrow was elected General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) at its Second World Congress in Vancouver in June 2010. Previously President of the Australian Council of Trade Unions (ACTU) since 1992, she served as inaugural President of the ITUC from its foundation in Vienna in 2006, and of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (a predecessor organisation to the ITUC) from 2004.

Sharan Burrow was born in 1954 in Warren, New South Wales (NSW), and graduated from the University of NSW as a teacher in 1976, following which she taught at high schools until 1980 when she began working for the NSW Teacher's Federation. In 1992 she was elected President of the Australian Education Union, until her election as ACTU President.