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SPEAKERS' PROFILES

Introductory session

Antonio Tajani



Antonio Tajani is Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for transport policy. From 1994 to 2008, he was a Member of the European Parliament and sat on various parliamentary committees. In 1999 he was chosen as leader of the Forza Italia party in the European Parliament and elected to the Presidency of the European People's Party-European Democrats. He took part in the Convention on the future of Europe that drew up the draft European constitution from February 2002 to July 2003. One of the founder members of Forza Italia in 1994, Antonio Tajani was Mr Berlusconi's spokesman during his first term of office as Prime Minister. He has a law degree from la Sapienza University in Rome.

Leif Zetterberg



Leif Zetterberg is State Secretary at the Ministry of Enterprise, Energy and Communications of Sweden.

Areas of responsibility:

- Transport policy and infrastructure
- IT policy
- Postal services, telecommunications and radio communications

Matthias Ruete



Matthias Ruete was appointed as Director General in charge of DG Energy and Transport in January 2006. As Director in DG Enterprise and Industry he was in charge of competitiveness issues in 2005. He was formerly Director in DG Enlargement since 1998, being responsible first for coordination of negotiations with 10 candidate countries (2004 enlargement) and then in charge of negotiations with Bulgaria, Romania and Turkey. His legal background and his ability as negotiator have ensured the success of the missions assigned to him.

Antonio Preto



Antonio Preto is Head of the Cabinet of Antonio Tajani, Vice-President of the European Commission. Previously a Member of the Cabinet of Hans Gert Pöttering, President of the European Parliament, he was Legal and legislative adviser to the President and Team Leader of Internal Policies of the Union. He has been adviser to the Italian Ministry of Justice for the Reform of the Liberal Professions and member of the Interinstitutional High Level Working Group on Better Lawmaking. He held various positions as adviser to the EPP/ED Group in the European Parliament. Mr Preto is a Lecturer of European Commercial Law at University of Bologna. He is the author of several articles and papers on European Law



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Panel 1: Integrating the transport modes: the revision of the TEN-T

Carlo Secchi



Carlo Secchi is full Professor of European Economic Policy at Bocconi University in Milan, where he was Rector in the period 2000–2004. He was a member of the European Parliament in the IV Legislature (1994–99), where he was Vice-President of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee. He was a member of the Italian Senate in the XII Legislature (1994–1996). Among others, he was in recent years member of the Board of “Banca Popolare di Milano” (2000–2003) and “Fastweb” (2004–2006). He is currently member (as independent director) of the Board of “Parmalat”, “Allianz” (Italy), “Pirelli & C.”, “Mediaset” and “Italcementi”.

He was/is a consultant to various national and foreign research institutes and universities, to Italian public Institutions (including CNR – the Italian National Research Council) and to the European Union.

In July 2009, he was appointed by the European Commission as European Coordinator for Infrastructural Priority Projects (railways) between France, Spain and Portugal.

Costantino Baldissara



An Italian national, Costantino Baldissara is the President of the Association of European Vehicle Logistics (ECV) since June 2009. He is the Commercial & Logistics Director of the Grimaldi Group, where he has started working in 1992. He has a vast experience in the logistics and vessels operations industry, and is also directly responsible of the overall commercial activities for the Grimaldi Group. In addition he supervises several departments that deal with issues such as lines, damage Prevention, external Relations and Research.

Mr. Baldissara also holds board positions in a number of subsidiaries of the Grimaldi Group. He is CEO of Grimaldi & Suardiaz S.p.a., Chairman of SAL, Scandinavian Auto Logistics (Denmark), Deputy Chairman of PET (Palermo Euro Terminal), and member of the boards of SAT- Salerno Auto Terminal, and Trive Spain and Portugal, among others.

Notably, he is as well Co-Chairman of the General Motors Europe Logistics Supplier Council, Member of General Motors Global Logistics Council and a member of the Logistics Committee of the International Chamber of Commerce of Paris.

Frans Schuitemaker



Frans Schuitemaker is managing director of Nijhof-Wassink, an international logistical service provider with its head office in Rijssen, The Netherlands.

Frans began his career in the 1980's at OAD reizen, a tour operator where he was responsible for planning the transport equipment.

In 1990 Frans started at Nijhof-Wassink, where he became Quality, Safety and Environment manager. After two years, after obtaining different certifications for the company, Frans went on to becoming Account Manager, where he gained responsibility for acquisitions and relationships.

After four years of building relationships with various customers, Frans became Deputy Managing Director, where he became responsible for the complete commercial department, as well as the safety and quality department. Since 2000 Frans is the Managing Director of all the operations of Nijhof-Wassink.

Frans is also the chairman of the ECTA's taskforce group 'tipping equipment' and the Cefic's commission for standardization of silo transport equipment. Further he is council member of DTSA (Dutch Tank and Silo Association).



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Patrick Verhoeven



After completing his studies in transport economics and maritime law at the University of Antwerp, Patrick Verhoeven started his career in the maritime sector in 1991, working in various departments of the Antwerp-based ship agent Grisar & Velge.

In 1993 he moved to Brussels where he established the office of FEPORT, the Federation of European Private Port Operators. Patrick Verhoeven was the first Secretary General of the organisation, a position which he held for seven years. During this period he also represented the interests of UNISTOCK - the European federation of agribulk storekeepers - and ECASBA - the European association of ship brokers and agents.

In 2000, Patrick Verhoeven was appointed Secretary General of the European Sea Ports Organisation. ESPO represents the port authorities, port associations and port administrations of the seaports of the European Union. The organisation was established in 1993 to promote policies and viewpoints of the European port sector with, primarily, the institutions of the European Union.

In parallel to his activities for ESPO, Patrick Verhoeven is currently preparing a doctoral thesis on port management reform in Europe. He is also co-author of the "The Ports Portable", the first cultural travel guide on port cities.

Johannes Ludewig



Dr. Johannes Ludewig has held several high ranking government posts in Germany, including Director-General for Economic and Financial Policy in the Federal Chancellery and State Secretary in the Ministry of Economics. In 1997, he became CEO and Chairman of the Board of Management of DB AG. Since 2002, he is Executive Director of CER, the Community of European Railway and Infrastructure Companies and thus the voice of European Railways. He also holds honorary posts as Chairman of the German National Regulatory Control Council and member of the High-Level Group of Independent Stakeholders on Administrative Burdens at the European Commission.

Karin De Schepper



Karin De Schepper has over twelve years experience in shipping and inland waterways. She has been General Secretary of Inland Navigation Europe (INE) since 2001, where she is responsible for developing the organization into an effective advocacy and lobbying instrument for the benefit of transport by waterway. Karin De Schepper has three masters' degrees, in maritime science, international and European Community law and in translation. She speaks seven languages. She has been awarded the National Order of Merit by the French Republic in 2008.

Annegret Reinhardt-Lehrmann



Annegret Reinhardt-Lehrmann was appointed Senior Vice President of Marketing in 1997. She is in charge of Marketing, Sales Support, Boards and Committees.

Mrs. Reinhardt-Lehrmann holds a bachelors and a masters degree in American studies and French and Spanish cultural studies. She studied at the Universities of Frankfurt am Main, Germany; Jamestown, ND, USA and Salamanca, Spain.

She spent the major part of her professional carrier working in management positions for Fraport in Marketing, Communication and International Projects. She was in charge of developing Fraport's international investment activities and setting up the investment division.

Since Mai 2007, she is also Managing Director of "Wirtschaftsinitiative FrankfurtRheinMain", a networking initiative promoting the Frankfurt Region as business location.

She is married and has one daughter.



Panel 2: The role of technology: new vehicles and alternative fuels



Reinhard Lüken

Mr. Lüken, born in Germany in 1968, is Secretary General of CESA since 2001. Before joining CESA, he was responsible for politics and strategy at the Meyer Shipyard in Papenburg, Germany, from 1998 to 2000, and prior to that worked four years in the executive office of the Treuhandanstalt in Berlin. Mr. Lüken holds a PhD in political science, economics and sociology.



François Lacôte

François Lacôte is a civil engineer (Ecole Polytechnique et Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées). He is in charge of the technical department (R&D and innovation) at Alstom Transport since 2000



François Gayet

François Gayet was born in 1945 and is a former pupil of the Ecole Polytechnique and a graduate of the Ecole Nationale Supérieure de l'Aéronautique. He received a Master of Science degree from Stanford University, California, holds a commission as Ingénieur en Chef de l'Armement in the French defense procurement agency (DGA) and is a Knight of the Order of the Legion of Honor. At the end of 1995, François Gayet became Managing Director of Thales Airsys. From March 1997, François Gayet was Vice-President in charge of Strategy and Business Development for the Detection and Missile Systems operating group. From 1997, François Gayet was appointed Chairman of Thales North America (TNA), the holding company for all of Thales interests in the United States, and Chairman and CEO of Thales, Inc. In June 2001, François Gayet became Senior Vice President France Defence. In September 2002, he was appointed Senior Vice President, Managing, Naval Systems Business Group. In May 2004, he became Senior Vice President Marketing & Sales. In October 2005, he retired from Thales and was elected Secretary General of the AeroSpace and Defence Industries Association of Europe – ASD, based in Brussels.



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Olly Mace



Olly Macé is Strategy and Technology Manager, BP Biofuels. Part of the BP Group, BP Biofuels was created in 2006 to position BP as a leader in the biofuels industry; defining and implementing a business development strategy, building a network of strategic relationships and establishing a distinctive and progressive voice in the shaping of the industry.

A graduate from Ecole Polytechnique and Institut Français du Pétrole in France, Olly has worked in the Oil Industry since 1990 and has held a range of management positions spanning Refining, Supply & Trading, Sales & Marketing and Corporate Planning. In 2004, he became Sales Director for BP & Castrol Lubricants in Northern Europe before joining the newly formed BP Biofuels business in November 2006.

Originally from France, Olly and his family have been living in England since 1993.

Hans ten Berge



Hans ten Berge was appointed Secretary General of "Union of the Electricity Industry – EURELECTRIC" in June 2007. EURELECTRIC represents the European Electricity Industry at expert, strategic and policy-making level.

Born in Eindhoven in 1951, Dutch citizen Hans ten Berge holds a degree in Chemistry from the Rijksuniversiteit in Utrecht and also graduated from the University of Delft in business administration. Following posts in a number of international enterprises, including Exxon Chemie and Kemira Agro, he joined ENECO Energie in November 1998 as Managing Director of Energiehandelsbedrijf, subsequently serving as a member of the ENECO Energie Board of Management from November 1999 until January 2006. For several years leading up to his present position he was Chairman of the EURELECTRIC Markets Committee.

Jonas Ericsson



Jonas Ericsson holds a degree in Biology and Geography from Stockholm University. After 15 years as an expert in agricultural biodiversity at regional government, Swedish Environment Protection Agency and Ministry of Environment where he i.a. formed the Swedish Agri-environmental programme and parts of the Environmental Bill, he moved on to City of Stockholm where he leads large projects on Traffic, Clean Vehicles and also Energy in Buildings. He was the daily leader of the Civitas project Trendsetter and is today leading the BEST project - BioEthanol for Sustainable Transport and is also involved in the Biogasmax project. He moved to the City of Stockholm in 2001.



Panel 3: The main actors of tomorrow's transport system. Transport users: safety, security and passenger rights

Mathieu Grosch



- Graduated in Germanic languages, University of Liège (1973). Accredited upper school teacher (1974). Teacher of English and German (1974-1981).
- Member of the national bureau of the CSP (since 1986). Member of the EPP bureau (since 1994). Adviser to the Prime Minister (1981-1984). Member of the provincial council (1984-1985).
- Member of Council, German-speaking Community (1986-1994).
- Government minister, German-speaking Community (1986-1990). Chairman of Council, German-speaking Community (1990-1994). Mayor of Kelmis (since 1991).
- Member of the European Parliament (since 1994).
- Member of the Robert Schuman Foundation. Member of the board of Bierset-Liège airport (since 1996).
- Commander of the Order of Leopold (1999). Merit award of the Meuse-Rhine Euregio (1999). Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany, First Class (2004).

John Gilbert



John Gilbert is Managing Director of Eurolines UK, the international coaching arm of National Express and the current President of Eurolines Organisation.

Having begun his career at the Nottingham-based Skill's coaches he entered the international coach business in the mid-seventies with Leeds-based Wallace Arnold at a time when the earliest services to the continent were just beginning. His first role was to take over the day-to-day operation of these first services – to Rome and subsequently Barcelona.

He took over as Managing Director at Eurolines UK in 2003 and today oversees a business with over 500 destinations across Europe and Ireland.

John is currently President of the Eurolines Organisation headquartered in Brussels overseeing the future direction of the pan-European network.

He is active in the wider industry too, sitting on the Coaching Commission of the Confederation of Passenger Transport and the steering committee of the European Tour Operators Association.



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Caroline Ofoegbu

Caroline Ofoegbu, Deputy Director General joined the FIA European Bureau, in 1996. Her main goal has been to develop a common FIA platform in Brussels for coordinating and promoting the policy priorities and projects of FIA automobile clubs in Europe, in particular, the provision safe, accessible, affordable and quality mobility for all European mobile consumers. Ms Ofoegbu has worked with FIA clubs in Europe to develop a unique range of assessment programmes that benchmark the quality and safety of Europe's mobility infrastructure and inform mobile consumers Europewide of the findings. These include EuroTest, EuroTAP (tunnels) and EuroRAP (roads).

Christopher Irwin



Christopher Irwin is the Vice-Chairman of the European Passengers' Federation which links passengers' organisations in eighteen European countries. He is European Policy Adviser to Passenger Focus, Britain's statutory watchdog for rail and bus passengers. He represents passengers on the board of the European Railway Agency where he chairs its Budget Committee.

Chris has extensive media experience: he held senior management positions in the BBC, where he launched its international television service, and in the private sector. He was closely involved in the launch of Star TV in Asia, led the group that sold the concept for what is now BSkyB to Pearson and, as a Managing Director working for Diageo, successfully refreshed and repositioned one of the world's most widely recognised and authoritative brands - Guinness World Records.

Rodolfo Cattani



Rodolfo Cattani, born in 1941, has a University degree in Philosophy of Science from the Bologna University. He worked as a school teacher for 13 years and for almost 20 years he was Managing Director of the Italian National Library for the Blind. He is the Chairman of the Commission for Liaising with the EU of the European Blind Union, an organisation that he joined in 1984. Since that date, Cattani has also occupied various positions within the World Blind Union. Since 1997, he has been a member of the Board of the European Disability Forum (EDF), since 2005 of EDF Executive Committee, EDF Secretary since 2009. Since 2006 he has been a member of the Design for All Working Group of ANEC (European Association for the Co-ordination of Consumer Representation in Standardisation), and EDF representative on European Commission Information Society and Media DG's e-Inclusion Partnership. In 2008 he was member of the judging panel of the EU e-Inclusion Awards and since 2007 he has been a member of the jury of the ACI EUROPE Best Airport Awards.



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Panel 4: Integrating the transport modes: the perspective of major users and operators



Roel Gans

Roel Gans is Deputy Director General for Civil Aviation and Maritime Affairs and Director for International Affairs and Strategy at the Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management, The Netherlands.

His previous positions were:

- Director for International and European Affairs; Ministry of Transport, Public Works and Water Management.
- Managing Director, Berenschot Public Management. Berenschot is a large Dutch consulting firm.
- Director of Training and Education, Netherlands Institute of International Affairs Clingendael.

Roel Gans has a Masters degree in Political Science of the University of Leiden and a Masters degree in Management Consultancy of the University of Amsterdam.



Åke Niklasson

Åke Niklasson was born in 1953. He is married to Eva and they have two kids, Sofia, 25 and Robert, 23. Åke has been working in Volvo all his life. In 1980 Volvo Logistics recruited him as a Purchasing Manager for emballage in Volvo. In 1989 he started Volvo's emballage operation in North America. 1991 he was managing the inbound process in Volvo Logistics and in 1995 he started VLC's subsidiary in North America where he was the President & CEO until 2003, when he took up the position as President & CEO for Volvo Logistics Corporation.



Volker Kefer

Volker Kefer was born in Koblenz on 19 January 1956. After studying electrical and mechanical engineering, he started his professional career as a test engineer with Siemens AG, Erlangen, in 1983. In 1989, he obtained his doctor's degree at the Technical University of Munich. Nine years later, he became a Member of the Board of Management of Siemens SGP Verkehrstechnik in Graz where he was responsible for the Bogies Division. From 2001 to 2005, Kefer assumed responsibility in the capacity of Area Manager for the Locomotives Division at Siemens Transportation Systems in Erlangen. From April 2005 to April 2006, he held the same function for "Mass Transit". From May 2006 to August 2009, Dr.-Ing. Volker Kefer was the Chairman of the Board of Management of DB Netz AG. Since September 2009 he is a member of the Management Board of Deutsche Bahn AG for Technology, Integrated Systems Rail and Services.



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Alfons Guinier

Up to 31/12/91, Alfons Guinier has held different administrative and commercial positions within the Belgian Shipping Group C.M.B. as a Member of the Direction: Belgian representative in different European and international shipping organisations, Spokesman for the Belgian Shipowners Association in the Belgian Industrial Board, and Conciliator for Belgium for the U.N. Code of Conduct for Liner Conferences. As from 1/1/92, Alfons Guinier is Secretary General of the European Community Shipowners' Associations, Co-ordinator of Transport/Shipping/Services of the Maritime Industries Forum, and Member of the Joint Committee for Maritime Transport.



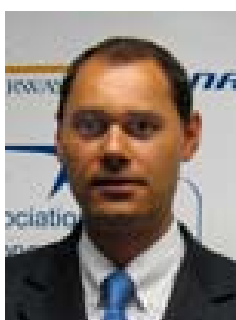
Theresia Hacksteiner

Theresa Hacksteiner has a Master's Degree in International and Private Law from the Erasmus University in Rotterdam and has also studied Economics at the Graz University.

Her current positions are:

- Secretary General IVR – international Association for the representation of the mutual interests of the inland shipping and the insurance and for keeping the register of inland vessels in Europe – based at Rotterdam.
 - Secretary General European Barge Union (EBU) based at Brussels.
- Representation of inland navigation interests on European and international level as regards general, economic and legal affairs.
- Director NBKB, a Dutch vessel inspection foundation.

Theresa Hacksteiner speaks German, English, Dutch and French



Fabio Gamba

Fabio Gamba was born in Geneva and holds both Swiss and Italian citizenship. His early education was in Lausanne and later on he graduated from the ZIIS in Vienna with a Masters Degree in International Relations. He is fluent in French, Italian, English and German.

In 1990, Fabio joined SWISSCONTROL SA, where he trained as a GDA operator and this skill eventually propelled him to take up various functions within the Civil Air Navigation Services Organisation (CANSO).

Fabio then joined the Boeing Company in 2002, as Manager Business Development Air Traffic Management Europe and subsequently moved on to become their Deputy Director, Business Development & Strategy Europe.

Fabio assumed the function of Deputy Secretary General of the Association of European Airlines in November 2006 with responsibility for coordinating the Association's political activities.

Married to Aylin, a native of Turkey, and the proud father of a son, Luca, he enjoys nothing more than discovering new continents and new cultures during his free time.



Jos Dings

Jos Dings is Director of T&E, the principal environmental organisation campaigning on sustainable transport at the EU level in Brussels.

Established in 1990, T&E's primary focus is on European transport and environmental policy but our work in Brussels is supported by 49 member organisations working in 23 countries to promote an environmentally sound approach to transport. Before joining T&E in 2004, Jos worked at CE Delft, an environmental consultancy, where he headed the transport division.



Panel 5: The role of technology: ICT in transport and other developments

Luc Werring



Luc Werring is senior fellow at the Dutch Clingendael Institute and holds also several other advisory functions.

From 1984 to 2007 he worked in the European Commission in the field of transport and energy.

He was appointed Head of Unit in 1991 for matters relating to Safety, Technology and Environmental aspects of Land Transport in the Directorate General for Transport. In 2000, he took over the Unit in DG TREN dealing with "Regulatory Policy and Promotion of New Energies and of Demand Management". In 2005, he became the Principal Advisor (Directors level) to the Director General of DG TREN.

In his years at the Commission, Luc was responsible for the preparation and adoption of numerous Directives and legal acts e.g. on technology in transport, road safety, transit rights, IT equipment in transport, renewable electricity, energy performance of buildings, biofuels, co-generation, eco-design of energy consuming products and energy efficiency and services.

Pascal Campagne



Pascal Campagne holds the position of CEO of FDC, an independant research and engineering company specialized in Satellite Navigation, Security and GMES.

He started his professional career in Dassault Electronique, followed by IBM, the French Ministry of Defense and joined FDC 18 years ago.

In the field of satellite navigation for more than 20 years, he personally supports the European GNSS programmes since their early stages, and participated to several tens of Transport and ICT European projects since more than 15 years.

He also coordinates the ORganisation of European Gnss INdustry (OREGIN) he founded in 1999 which comprises today more than 160 members from 20 European states, and he is a founding member of the Galileo Services Association.



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Manfred Seitz



After his studies in Economics, Manfred Seitz worked several years in the field of traffic & transport engineering. When he changed to the Austrian Ministry for Science & Transport he was in charge with the development and implementation of technology programmes. Manfred Seitz also led the creation & development of via donau, a subsidiary of the Austrian Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology, which started in 1999. As general manager of via donau, a development agency for telematics and Danube navigation, Manfred Seitz was project coordinator for several national and European projects and performed lobbying in favour of inland waterway.

Since January 2005, Manfred Seitz is managing director at via donau – Österreichische Wasserstraßen-Gesellschaft mbH, founded by the Austrian Federal Ministry for Transport, Innovation and Technology for the management and development of the Danube waterway. via donau is a modern and efficiently run waterway operating company that executes sovereign functions on behalf of the government in the field of waterways and inland navigation. In addition to the tasks of waterway administration and transport development, it also puts new forward-looking projects into practice – and is also involved in the drafting of schemes and the administration of the Integrated River Engineering Project to the East of Vienna – as well as operating the navigation information system DoRIS – Donau River Information Services.

Michael Robson



Michael Robson, Secretary General of the European Rail Infrastructure Managers (EIM), is a time-served railwayman having been in the industry for 35 years. During this time he has held various senior positions. He has experienced of working in an integrated railway, British Rail, a private stock market listed infrastructure company, Railtrack, and a company limited by guarantee and privately financed, Network Rail.

He sees his current role as promoting the railway, and in particular the interests of infrastructure managers, at all European levels including interfacing with the European Commission, Council of Ministers and MEPs. The other key role consists in ensuring that the EIM views are heard in the European Railway Agency (ERA) discussions on TSI development and in other standardisation bodies involved in this area.

Michael is married with one daughter. His hobbies include walking, gardening, travel, and good food and wine. Michael is also a member of the Chartered Institute of Transport & Logistics and the Institute of Management.

Yves Amsler



Yves AMSLER is Engineer from the French "Ecole Nationale Supérieure des Mines" (ENSM Saint-Etienne), with a post-graduate degree ("Diplôme d'Etudes Approfondies") of Applied Mathematics from University Paris VI. Working for RATP or its subsidiary companies (SOFRETU, LSTS, SYSTRA...) all over the world for more than 35 years in a variety of senior and executive positions, his skill covers all modes of public transport planning, design, operation and financing. He was seconded to UITP by RATP from January 2001 to October 2009 both as a EuroTeam Expert and as an Advisor to the Secretary General, for Projects and Development. As a EuroTeam expert, he covers mainly all rail and ITS matters as well as European Research.



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Panel 6: The main actors of tomorrow's transport system: the worker

Saïd El Khadraoui



- Degree in modern history (Catholic University of Louvain (KUL)) (1997). Further academic training in international relations (KUL) (1998).
- Worked in the office of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Home Affairs (1998-1999). Worked in the office of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for the Budget (1999). Official at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (since 1999).
- Member of the national party bureau (2003). International secretary of the SP.A (since 2007).
- Member of the Louvain City Council (since 1994); Deputy Mayor of Louvain (2001-2003).
- Member of the Chamber of Representatives (2003). Member of the European Parliament (since 2003).



Joël Le Coq

Joël Le Coq was General Secretary of « Fédération Générale des Transports et de l'Équipement (FGTE-CFDT) » and he is national member of CFDT Confédération. He was national leader and negotiator for road transport in France. He is member of the ETF executive committee.



Roberto Parrillo

Roberto Parrillo is General Responsible for the Road Transport Section of CSC-Transcom. He is also President of the Road Transport Section of ETF (European Transport Workers' Federation) and Member of the Executive Committee ETF, Member of the European Social Dialogue and Member of ITF (International Transport Workers' Federation).

Patrick Philipp



Patrick Philipp is the Head of the IRU Academy, the training arm of the International Road and Transport Union (IRU). Mr. Philipp has been involved in professional adult learning for the last 20 years and he has implemented global training programmes in different sectors such as finance and IT. Since joining the road transport industry, Mr. Philipp has strived to use and implement new learning methodologies and tools in order to maximise the learning impact and the trainee's performance. This has been materialised notably by the establishment of capacity building programmes for the numerous actors involved in the operations of the TIR System in the 56 countries where this Customs regime is in use. Mr. Philipp is currently heavily involved in large projects that face the road transport industry regionally or globally such as the European CPC Driver and the implementation of the European Agreement Concerning the Work of Crews of Vehicle Engaged in International Road Transport (AETR agreement) on drive and rest time rule and the mandatory use of digital tachographs.



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Marc Baumgartner



Marc Baumgartner is the President & CEO of the International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA) representing 50'000 ATCOs from 137 States around the globe.

- Initial Training in a business administration school.
- Worked as an account clerk
- After training to become an Air Traffic Controller has been employed by Skyguide for last 17 year as an Area Centre controller in Geneva ACC.
- ATC instructor
- Graduated in psychology at Paris university.
- Still working full-time as an ATCO in Geneva ACC.
- Represented 20'000 European ATCOs from 41 States as Executive Vice-President Europe of IFATCA between 1998 -2002
- President since 2002
- Chairman of the Eurocontrol Agency Advisory Group on Research
- Member of the SESAR Joint Undertaking Administrative Board representing staff

Mauro Marino



Mauro Marino was born in Rome in 1974. He graduated from the Rome Nautical Technical University "M. Colonna" before studying at the Italian Navy School.

Between 1996 and 2000, he worked for the Ministry of Maritime Defence and the Ministry of Aeronautic Defence. In 2000, he left – at his request – the Navy to join the merchant marine. From 2000 till 2006 he sailed, earning the status of navigation officer. In 2007 he contributed to the creation of the Syndicate of the Maritime of which he is currently the President.

Fernando Menendez Rexach



Civil engineer, he held several high relevance positions in the Spanish Administration, and in various private companies. He was director of the General Road Network Plan of 1984-1991 in the Ministry of Public Works. Madrid Roads and Transport General Director for the Division of Access and Transport for EXPO'92 in Seville.

Until May 2004 he was the Transports General Director for the Government of Asturias, and since that he was appointed Chairman of the Port Authority of Gijon.

He has a wide experience in transportation and logistics, research, planning, projects, construction, maintenance and business services management, both in the public and the private sector. He has also formed part of different boards of directors in several public and private companies, framed in the transportation, engineering and logistics areas.

Mattia Pellegrini



Mattia Pellegrini was born in Rome on 29 October 1973. After graduating in law and European studies from the University of Rome, he finished the College of Europe in Bruges.

After holding several positions in DG Internal Market, DG Competition, DG Environment of the European Commission, he was, from 2007 till 2008 Acting Head of Unit and Deputy Head of Unit at DG Health and Consumer Protection.

Since 2008, Mattia Pellegrini is Member of the Cabinet of Antonio Tajani, Vice-President of the European Commission Responsible for Transport.

Mattia Pellegrini has been or is visiting professor at several universities including the Universities of Podgorica, Udine and Rome.