

Personnel News



European
Economic and
Social
Committee



Nicolas Alexopoulos

Deputy Secretary-
general

Nationality: GR

Working Languages:

EN, DE, GR, FR

Start Date: 25.05.2010

Nicolas Alexopoulos appointed at EESC

Mr Nicolas Alexopoulos has been appointed Deputy Secretary-General for General Affairs and Human Resources at the European Economic and Social Committee. The European Economic and Social Committee is the only consultative body at the European Union level. Its membership is made up of representatives from Europe's employers' organisations, trade unions, farmers, consumer groups, professional associations, etc, and it is meant to bring their points of view to the Commission, the Council and the Parliament. Alexopoulos was previously Director of the Directorate for General Affairs at the EESC.



European
Construction
Industry Fed-
eration



Luisa Todini

President

Nationality: IT

Working Languages:

EN, FR, IT, ES

Start Date: 28.05.2010

Luisa Todini elected President of FIEC

FIEC elected Luisa Todini as President of FIEC for the 2010 to 2012 period. She succeeds Belgian contractor Dirk Cordeel at the expiry of his term of office, and becomes the first female President in the organisation's history. Todini has, for some time, represented the interests of the construction industry in key positions: from 2004, as FIEC Vice-President and Chairman of the ad hoc working group "CEEC" (Central and Eastern European Countries), then as Chairman of the "TEN-T" (Trans-European Networks of Transport) ad hoc group, and later as Co-President of the Economic and Legal Commission in charge of the "Infrastructure" working group. Currently, Todini chairs Todini Finanziaria Spa and Ecos Energia Srl.



European Rail
Infrastructure
Managers



Hendrik Abma

Head of EIM

Nationality: NL

Working Languages:

EN, DE, NL

Start Date: 01.09.2010

Abma replaces Robson at the Head of EIM

Hendrik Abma will replace Michael Robson, who is retiring after four years as the Head of the EIM secretariat in Brussels. Abma was previously the Director General of FECC, the European Association of Chemical Distributors. The change at the top comes as EIM (European Rail Infrastructure Managers) has evolved to act more flexibly in the European environment. The changes in the structure, legal form and process of the organisation will allow EIM members to put forward their opinions and work together with each other and with industry partners more efficiently.

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CIAA



Pia Skaerback

Director of Consumer Information, Diet and Health Issues

Nationality: DK

Working Languages:

EN, DE, DK, SE

Start date:

01.06.2010

Pia Skaerbak joins CIAA

Pia Skaerbak is the new Director of Consumer Information, Diet and Health Issues at CIAA - the Confederation of Food and Drink Industries of the EEC. She previously worked as a Consultant for several years in the Brussels/EU environment, primarily in the financial services sector, amongst others. Prior to that, she worked as a Business Journalist, with an emphasis on agriculture and food policy. Skaerback holds a Degree in International Relations from the George Mason University in the US, and a Degree in European Law and Politics from KU Leuven.



European Food Information Council



Sofia Valleley

Communications Manager for European Projects.

Nationality: SE

Working Languages:

EN, SE

Valleley joins EUFIC as Communications Manager

Sofia Valleley has joined the European Food Information Council (EUFIC) as Communications Manager for European Projects. She will manage the integrated communications for EUFIC's involvement in dissemination and media activities for DG Research projects. Valleley, a qualified biologist with an MSc in Science Communications from Imperial College London, previously held the position of Communications Manager at the European Science Foundation in Strasbourg, France. Her experience in research, the European funding landscape and science communication will support EUFIC's aim to enhance public understanding of nutrition and food.



ExxonMobil



Patrick Keating

Communications Advisor

Nationality:

UK/CAN

Working Languages:

EN, FR

Start date: 16.06.2010

Patrick Keating moves to ExxonMobil

Patrick Keating has joined ExxonMobil as a Communications Adviser. Previously, Keating worked as Public Affairs Manager at EIM, where he was responsible for communications, event management and press relations. A Canadian/UK national, Keating has had over five years of Brussels public affairs experience, having worked for a number of small consultancies focused on policy areas ranging from advertising and media to aviation security. Keating holds a master's in European Politics and Policy, and one in European Affairs, from KU Leuven and a bachelor's degree in History and Philosophy from McGill University.



Weber Shandwick Brussels



Ana Costillas

Director of Public Affairs

Nationality: ES

Working Languages:

EN, ES, FR, IT

Start date: 01.06.2010

Weber Shandwick appoints Costillas

Weber Shandwick has hired senior public affairs expert Ana Costillas to lead its Brussels Public Affairs Practice. She joins them from Citigate Dewe Rogerson, where she was Director of Public Policy. A qualified lawyer specialising in European and international law, Costillas will leverage her 14 years' experience in EU public and legal affairs, in consultancy and in-house roles, to provide public affairs clients with senior strategic counsel. She has also provided strategic counsel to a variety of blue-chip corporations, and prior to joining the consultancy world, worked as an inhouse EU Affairs Adviser for Kraft Foods International and the Ferrero Group



cabinet DN



Nicolas Acker

Director

Nationality: FR

Working Languages: EN, ES, FR

Start date: 01.05.2010

Nicolas Acker joins cabinet DN as Director

Nicolas Acker joined cabinet DN in May 2010 to work on environment, transport and energy policies. Prior to joining, he gained ten years' experience at the Brussels office of a global communication group, which gave him an in-depth expertise in these policy fields, as well as a sound experience in the security, defence and sport governance areas. Prior to that, Acker assisted the spokesman of the President of the European Parliament, and worked for a French political communication agency. Sara Webber has also recently joined cabinet DN as a Senior Consultant to work on public relations, media strategy and events.

Events outlook: Highlights for the next two weeks

17 JUNE

European Lawyer's Union (UAE) Conference

The 24th conference of the European Lawyer's Union (UAE) – open to all lawyers, whether members of the UAE or not – will look at the effectiveness and efficacy of European judicial procedures for the protection of the citizen seeking justice. Herman van Rompuy (right), President of the European Council, will take part.

UAE, Villa Empain,

67b, Franklin Roosevelt Avenue

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21 JUNE

From Basel II to Basel III: The Impact of New Regulation on the Real Economy

In the wake of a much publicised financial crisis, banks could face a new set of expectations with Basel III's proposed regulation. This conference takes a look at the proposed changes and their impact not only on the industry, but also - indirectly - on the rest of the economy.

European Banking Federation, Hilton Hotel

Boulevard de Waterloo 38

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21 JUNE

NATO's European Dimension

This event will investigate three main issues: NATO's Outlook – radical change or steady as she goes?; is transatlantic defence procurement a "two-way street"?; and would better coordination mean success in Afghanistan? Anders Fogh Rasmussen, Secretary General of NATO, will open with a keynote speech and take part in a Q&A session.

Security and Defence Agenda (SDA)

Concert Noble, Rue d'Arlon 8

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23 JUNE

The Area of Freedom Security & Justice 10 Years On

This event, hosted by the Centre for European Policy Studies, promises to take a look at the achievements and challenges ahead. Speakers will include Hans G. Nilsson and Johannes Vos of the Council of the EU, Emilio De Capitani, Secretariat of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs and Karl von Wogau, Secretary General of the European Security Foundation.

CEPS Conference room

Place du Congrès 1

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29 JUNE

After the Spanish EU Presidency: Towards A New Latin America-EU Partnership?

This event will wrap up the Spanish EU Presidency. Topics to be addressed include trade, innovation and foreign direct investment, geopolitical and regional cooperation, as well as energy security, oil markets and biofuels.

Friends of Europe,

Concert Noble, Rue d'Arlon 82

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30 JUNE – 01 JULY

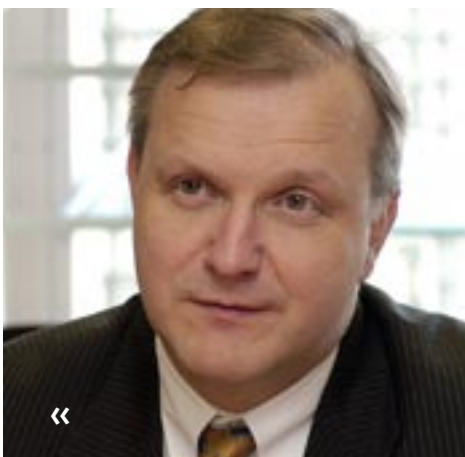
European Business Summit 2010

With a focus on "Putting Europe back on track", this summit will provide a platform to the business and political world. It will feature a range of discussions, from "SMEs: Engines for Recovery?" to "Europe in the world: ready to lead?". Olli Rehn (right), European Commissioner for Economic and Financial Affairs, will be among those taking part.

European Business Forum,

Tour and Taxis, Rue Picard 7

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01 JULY - 02 JULY

2010 European Communication Summit

The annual international conference for PR and corporate communications is hosted by the European Association of Communication Directors (EACD) and Communication Director magazine and includes the European Communication Award, presented to an individual or organisation which has made an original contribution to communications across borders.

The Square - Brussels Meeting Centre,

Rue Mont des Arts

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Jerzy Buzek
President,
European
Parliament
03.07.1940

★ Alain Cadec MEP, 21.06.1953 ★ Estelle Grelier MEP, 22.06.1973 ★ Philippe Borremans, Chief Social Media Officer, Van Marcke Group, 23.06.1969 ★ Corina Crețu MEP, 24.06.1967 ★ Lutz Dommel, Managing Director, PDC EU Affairs, 24.06.1978 ★ Michael Burrell, European Chairman, Edelman Public Relations Worldwide, 25.06.1950 ★ Kartika Tamara Liotard, Vice-Chairwoman, GUE/NGL Group, 26.06.1971 ★ Corien Wortmann-Kool MEP, 27.06.1959 ★ Diana Wallis MEP, 28.06.1954 ★ Ramon Tremosa i Balcells MEP, 30.06.1965 ★ Joachim Zeller MEP, 01.07.1952 ★ Monika Hohlmeier MEP, 02.07.1962 ★ Kader Arif MEP, 03.07.1959 ★ Emilio Menéndez del Valle MEP, 20.06.1945

Job Market

Please mention European Agenda when you apply.



Policy and Advocacy Officer

The European Network on Debt and Development works for social justice through research and advocacy work on issues relating to finance for developing countries. The purpose of this role is to work in the Eurodad team to help take forward its work on development finance issues.

Organisation: Eurodad

Deadline: 20 June

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Assistent/in der Leitung des Brüsseler Büros

Die GEMA ist weltweit eine der größten Autorengesellschaften für Werke der Musik. Für unsere Direktion Politische Kommunikation am Standort Brüssel suchen wir zum nächstmöglichen Zeitpunkt eine/n Assistent/in der Leitung des Brüsseler Büros.

Organisation: GEMA

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European Government Affairs Manager

EuroCommerce, the European association representing retailers, wholesalers, and international traders to the EU, is looking for an experienced European Government Affairs Manager to oversee their policies on public affairs and coordinate with national members on these issues.

Organisation: EuroCommerce

Deadline: 23 June

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Communications Officer

The successful applicant will be responsible for increasing the visibility and awareness of the programme through, and with, the interaction and communication with all stakeholder groups and governmental institutions, which all are an essential and integral part of the activities of the AAL Association.

Organisation: AAL Association

Deadline: 25 June

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EU Affairs Manager

Philip Morris International is looking for an EU Affairs Manager to manage PMI's governmental relations with EU Institutions. The EU plays a very important role in today's business environment and in PMI's business.

Organisation: Philip Morris International

Deadline: 28 June

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Assistant to the General Director

The European Trade Union Institute (ETUI) is looking for someone to work with their General Director on a wide range of complex and confidential administrative, operational and governance tasks.

Organisation: European Trade Union Institute

Deadline: 30 June

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Counter IED Coordination Officer

The European Defence Agency is looking for a Counter IED (CIED) Coordination Officer, who will support the agency's ongoing work on various CIED activities.

Organisation: European Defence Agency

Deadline: 7 July

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Product Development Manager

The Product Development Manager will advise on the design and execution of new financial products and mandates throughout the European Union and Accession Countries. They will report to the Head of Product Development.

Organisation: European Investment Fund

Deadline: 22 June

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Secretary General

The Airport Regions Conference is an association of cities and regions across Europe with an international airport. Today, there are more than 30 cities and regions in ARC, representing about 100 million citizens, hosting major hub airports in Europe along with other major and regional international airports in 18 European countries.

Organisation: Airport Regions Conference

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