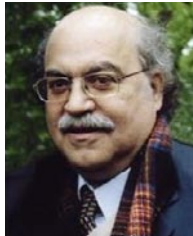


Personnel News



European
Research
Council



Andreu Mas-Colell

Secretary General

Nationality: ES

Working Languages:
EN, ES

Start date:
01.07.2009

ERC appoints Mas-Colell as Secretary General

Prof. Andreu Mas-Colell is the new Secretary General of the European Research Council (ERC). He succeeds Prof. Ernst-Ludwig Winnacker, who has completed his term of office. Up until now, Mas-Colell had been Professor of Economics at Universitat Pompeu Fabra in Barcelona and Chairman of the Barcelona Graduate School of Economics. In 2006, he was President of the European Economic Association. He was also Minister of Universities, Research and the Information Society in Catalonia (2000-2003). Mas-Colell will remain in his new role until December 2011.



EU NAVFOR
Somalia



Pieter Bindt

EU Force Commander

Nationality: NL

Working Languages:
EN, NL

Start date:
13.08.2009

Pieter Bindt appointed EU Force Commander

Commodore Pieter Bindt has been appointed as the new EU Force Commander for EU NAVFOR Somalia/Operation ATALANTA, the EU's anti-piracy mission off the coast of Somalia and in the Gulf of Aden. Bindt succeeds Spanish Commander Juan Garat Caramé. He has significant experience in the Dutch navy, having previously held, among others, the positions of Commander for the Netherlands Maritime Force (COMNLMARFOR) and for the NRF12 Amphibious Task Force of the Netherlands/Norwegian NRF amphibious capability modules.



European
Commission



Detlef Eckert

Director

Nationality: DE

Start date:
Summer 2009

Eckert moves in DG Information Society & Media

Detlef Eckert has been appointed as Director responsible for the Lisbon strategy and policies for the information society in the European Commission's DG Information Society & Media. Eckert was previously Senior Advisor to the Director General in the same DG. In this function, he dealt with strategic issues, research cooperation and the future of the Internet, including the IPv6 Action Plan. From 2002 to 2006 he took personal leave to work for Microsoft as Director responsible for the implementation of the Trustworthy Computing (TWC) initiative in Europe, Middle East and Africa. Before 2002, Eckert was Head of Division responsible for analysis and policy planning in the Directorate General Information Society.



European
Movement
International



Diogo Pinto

Secretary General

Nationality: PT

Working Languages:
EN, ES, FR, PT

Start date:
01.07.2009

Diogo Pinto as EMI's new Secretary General

Diogo Pinto is the new Secretary General of the European Movement International (EMI). He replaces Henrik H. Kröner, who had led the organisation since 2001. Pinto will serve a three-year term of office. Previously, he was Secretary General of the European Youth Forum. He holds a Bachelor degree in Sociology. The EMI has also appointed Charles Kleinermann as its new Deputy Secretary General.



European LPG
Association



Alain De Grève

Director General

Nationality: BE

Working Languages:
EN, FR, IT, NL, PT

Start date:
01.06.2009

Alain De Grève as Director General of AEGPL

Alain De Grève has been appointed as Director General of AEGPL, the European LPG (liquefied petroleum gases) Association. He succeeds Patrick Segarra. De Grève has worked in a wide range of industries including the automotive and energy sectors. He has managed both large and small organisations in numerous countries including Brazil, Italy, Morocco and his native Belgium. He has been working in the LPG sector in various capacities since 2000. De Grève holds degrees in Political Sociology, Economics and European law as well as a master's in Business Administration.

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Caroline Persson
EMEA Government
Relations Coordinator
Nationality: SE 
Working Languages:
EN, FR, SE

Persson joins Smiths Detection in Brussels

Caroline Persson has joined the newly formed Smiths Detection Group Brussels office as EMEA Government Relations Coordinator. Persson joins from BT plc's Brussels Representative Office, where she worked as a manager with responsibilities for a wide range of regulatory/policy issues and where she was one of the lead liaisons with EU institutions and trade associations. She has previously worked in UK Public Affairs as a consultant for a small firm specialising in defence and security issues where she helped run the UK Defence Forum, a non-partisan and not-for-profit organisation bringing Members of both Houses together with industry, civil servants and diplomats.

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Philippe Ghysseles
Senior Manager
Government Affairs
Nationality: BE 
Working Languages:
DE, EN, FR, IT, NL
Start date:
01.09.2009


Philippe Ghysseles appointed at GSK Brussels

Philippe Ghysseles has been appointed as Senior Manager Government Affairs for GlaxoSmithKline in the company's Brussels Office. He will report to Andrea Rappagliosi, the Vice President for European Government Affairs and Head of the Brussels Office. Ghysseles began his career at Serono in their Geneva Headquarters back in 2003 in the Government Affairs team for Europe. In 2005, he moved back to Brussels as a consultant for the Healthcare Practice at Weber Shandwick. In the fall of 2007, he then returned to Geneva to be the Health Policy Manager for the European Health Policy and Market Access team.

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Order Trade
Association



Alison Mooney
Communications and
Marketing Manager
Nationality: IE 
Working Languages:
DE, EN, ES, FR, IT, NL
Start date:
03.08.2009


Alison Mooney joins EMOTA team

Alison Mooney has joined EMOTA (European E-commerce and Mail Order Trade Association) as Communications and Marketing Manager. Mooney joins from the German distance seller Peter Hahn GmbH, where she was employed as Sales and Marketing Manager. She started with Peter Hahn in 2000, where she launched the firm's Belgian activities (2001) and subsequently their Danish operations (2002). Mooney has a master's in International/European Law and Politics from the University of Grenoble, a Degree in Business Studies from UCD-Dublin, and a master's in International Politics from CERIS Université Paris-Sud.

FLEISHMAN
HILLARD
INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS

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Hillard




Christian Thams
Senior Account Manager
Nationality: DE 
Working Languages:
DE, EN, FR
Start date: 01.08.2009

New appointments at Fleishman-Hillard Brussels

Fleishman-Hillard has made two new appointments at its Brussels office. Christian Thams has joined as Senior Account Manager and will be responsible for the office's growing energy practice. Thams was a consultant at Weber Shandwick in Berlin for more than five years and has run a wide range of government relations and public affairs campaigns. Before this, he worked at the European Parliament in Brussels and for a political party in Berlin. He is a political scientist and has studied in Berlin and Vienna.



Aoife Gallagher
Account Director
Nationality: IE 
Working Languages:
EN, FR
Start date: 24.06.2009

Aoife Gallagher has joined as Account Director in the Food and Health Team. Gallagher previously worked at Cohn & Wolfe Healthcare in London and for Weber Shandwick's Public Affairs Healthcare Team in Brussels, and has over seven years' experience in healthcare communications, working across both pharmaceutical clients and patient groups on award-winning European campaigns.

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Events outlook: Highlights for September – December

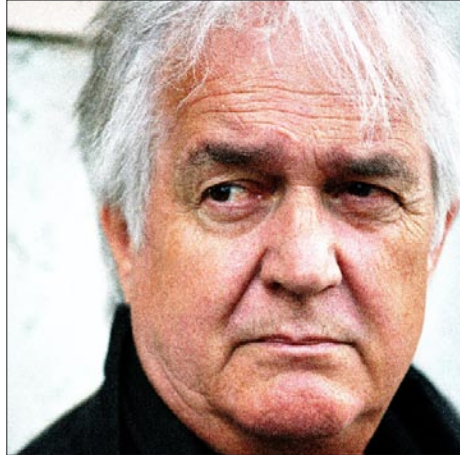
14 – 15 SEPT

European Cities & the Global Climate Change Challenge

The conference will address how sustainable urban development can meet the challenges connected with climate change and at the same time contribute to the conversion to a low-carbon, green economy.

Swedish Presidency of the European Union,
Stockholm

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28 – 30 SEPT

European Culture Forum

The European Culture Forum aims to bring together participants from culture civil society, Member States and EU institutions. It will be preceded by the Culture in Motion conference on 28 September, which will feature the European literature Prize ceremony, in the presence of newly-appointed Ambassador of the Prize, bestselling Swedish author Henning Mankell (left).

European Commission for Culture,
Brussels

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5 – 8 OCT

European Week of Regions & Cities Open Days

This 7th edition of the biggest event in the world dedicated to regional policy is organised under the headline "Global challenges, European responses". It will cover regional responses to the economic crisis, climate change, territorial cooperation and the impact and future of EU cohesion policy.

Committee of the Regions/ European Commission (DG REGIO)

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22 – 24 OCT

European Development Days

Held in Stockholm, this is the main European meeting of decision-makers in the field of international development cooperation. In addition to work sessions, two annual prizes will be attributed: the Natali prize for quality journalism in the field of human rights and democracy Africa and the Development Youth prize: for young people with creative views on Africa.

European Commission and the Swedish EU Presidency, Stockholm

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29 OCT

Launch: European Year for combating poverty and social exclusion

Eighty million Europeans live below the poverty threshold. This figure will dramatically increase due to the consequences of the current economic crisis. This violates the EU principles of solidarity and social justice. There will be a special media event targeted to journalists.

EC Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, Brussels

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29 – 30 OCT

European Council in Brussels

The European Council (right), under the guidance of the Swedish EU Presidency, will take stock of progress and sort through the political agenda at its first meeting since June in Brussels on the 29 and 30 October, as well as looking forward to the next meeting on the 10 and 11 December.

European Council,
Brussels

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2 – 3 NOV

US/EU summit in Washington

Highly anticipated as ever, the US/EU summit will take place in November in Washington, having met in Prague earlier this year. Shared global responsibilities will doubtless be at the top of the agenda.

EU/US Summit,
Washington

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Isabelle Durant
Vice-President of
the European
Parliament
04.09.1954

★ John Andreas Bufton MEP, 31.08.1962 ★ Anne-Sophie Duchêne, Owner, ASD Communications, 31.08.1971 ★ Herbert Reul Chairman of Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, 31.08.1952 ★ Catherine Guy-Quint MEP, 01.09.1949 ★ Daniel Hannan MEP, 01.09.1971 ★ Jutta Steinruck MEP, 01.09.1962 ★ Sandrine-Sabrina Bélier MEP, 02.09.1973 ★ Peter van Dalen, Vice-Chairman of Committee on Transport and Tourism, 03.09.1958 ★ James Elles MEP, 03.09.1949 ★ Mitro Repo MEP, 03.09.1958 ★ Kyriacos Triantaphyllides MEP, 03.09.1944 ★ Inese Vaidere MEP, 03.09.1952 ★ Libor Roucek MEP, 04.09.1954 ★

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Public Affairs Officer

EDMA, the European Diagnostic Manufacturers Association, the leading pan-European health-care association representing the In Vitro Diagnostic industry active in Europe, is looking for a Public Affairs Officer, to be based in Brussels.

Organisation: EDMA

Deadline: 15 September



Senior Policy Officer

EUROCITIES, the Network of Major European Cities, is seeking a Senior Policy Officer to lead its work on Social Affairs. The successful candidate will work under the Director for Policy Development as part of EUROCITIES' Policy Team. The position will be based at the EUROCITIES Brussels Office.

Organisation: EUROCITIES

Deadline: 09 September



Assistant in Public Relations and Public Affairs

Intergraf, the international confederation for printing and allied industries a.i.s.b.l., is looking for an Assistant in Public Relations and Public Affairs. Based in Brussels, the successful candidate will support the Secretary General and the Policy Advisor in Intergraf's lobbying activities.

Organisation: Intergraf

Deadline: 13 September



Policy Intern

The Open Society Institute Brussels (OSI-Brussels) is offering a full-time internship for a Policy Intern for the duration of 5 to 6 months starting in October 2009. The successful candidate will be working at OSI's office in Brussels and will work under the supervision of a Policy Officer.

Organisation: OSI-Brussels

Deadline: 07 September



Project Officer – Eco Innovation

The Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI) is inviting applications for a Project Officer Eco-Innovation. The successful candidate will be based in Brussels.

Organisation: EACI

Deadline: 18 September



Director for European Union Policy

Conservation International is looking for a Director for European Union Policy, to be based in Brussels.

Organisation: Conservation International

Deadline: 31 August



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