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**FIFTH ANNUAL
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for deceased Members and former Members
of the European Parliament

European Parliament

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ASP 5G2

5.45 pm - 6.15 pm

With the participation of Philippe Lambert (trumpet) and the String Quartet with Flute composed by Marie Lagaditis (flûte), Orlane Tissier (violin), Isabelle Bonesire (alto) and Christelle Hainen (cello).

PROGRAMME

“Divertimento N°10 in F K247 Adagio”
by *Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart*
played by the String Quartet with Flute

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Welcome
by Pat Cox
President of the EP FMA
(please be seated)

First reading
Read by Brigitte Langenhagen

You can shed tears that she is gone,
or you can smile because she has lived.
You can close your eyes and pray that she'll come back,
or you can open your eyes and see all she's left.
Your heart can be empty because you can't see her,
or you can be full of the love you shared.
You can turn your back on tomorrow and live yesterday,
or you can be happy for tomorrow because of yesterday.
You can remember her and only that she's gone,
or you can cherish her memory and let it live on.
You can cry and close your mind, be empty and turn your back,
Or you can do what she'd want:
smile, open your eyes, love and go on.
"She is gone" by David Harkins

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Second reading
Read by Karin Junker

It is not the critic who counts, not the man who points out how the strong man stumbled or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood, who strives valiantly and comes short again and again, who knows the great enthusiasms, the great devotions and spends himself in a worthy cause, who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly, so that his place will never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.

by Theodore Roosevelt

Third reading
Read by Joan Colom I Naval

There are men who struggle for a day and they are good.
There are men who struggle for a year and they are better.
There are men who struggle many years, and they are better still.
But there are those who struggle all their lives:
These are the indispensable ones.
Estract from "The Mother" by Bertolt Brecht

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**Fourth reading**  
**Read by Mario Forte**

Out of the depths I have cried to thee, O Lord: Lord hear my voice.  
Let thine ears be attentive to the voice of my supplication.  
If thou, O Lord, wilt mark iniquities: Lord who shall stand it?  
For with thee there is merciful forgiveness:  
and by reason of thy law, I have waited for thee, O Lord.  
My soul hath relied on his word: my soul hath hoped in the Lord.  
From the morning watch even until night,  
let Israel hope in the Lord.  
Because with the Lord there is mercy:  
and with him plentiful redemption.  
And he shall redeem Israel from all his iniquities.  
*De profundis, Psalm 129*

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"Flute Quartet No. 1 in D major, K. 285"
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
played by the String Quartet with Flute

Honour Roll Call
(all rise)
Read by Richard Balfe

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**Minute of silence**  
*(remain standing)*

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Philippe Lambert plays
“Amazing Grace”

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**Conclusion**  
**by Nicole Fontaine**  
Former President of the European Parliament

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“Adagio, Divertimento in D major, K. 131”
by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
played by the String Quartet with Flute

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**European Hymn**

# IN MEMORIAM

† 8 May 2012

**Martin HOLZFUSS**

**LDR, Germany (1989-1994)**

“Martin Holzfuss was always very charming to me. He was a former Member of the army who showed nonetheless a particular interest to the green peace movement activists. His attitude highly contributed to my experience and embodied his human and liberal spirit.”

*By Eva Quistorp*

“Martin Holzfuss, born 1925, died on May 8, 2012 aged 86 years. He was a German member of the EP from 1989 till 1994 in the Liberal and Democratic Reformist Group.

Holzfuss was a true liberal and founding member of the German Liberal Party FDP in Hesse in 1947. His thinking was shaped by his experiences in the Second World War. He made his career in the Post-war German Army, Bundeswehr, where he rose to Major-General.

His passion and interest was focused on liberal issues, particularly international and European politics. Martin was elected member of the European Parliament from 1989 to 1994. He worked in the Budget and Budget Control committees and later in Foreign Affairs and the Subcommittee for Security and Disarmament. He was outspoken, eloquent and well liked in his political group ELDR (now ALDE).”

*By Mechthild von Alemann*

† 1 June 2012

**Milan GALA**

**EPP-ED, Slovakia (2004-2009)**

Milan Gala (21 January 1953 - 1 June 2012) was a Slovakian politician and Member of the European Parliament for the Slovak Democratic and Christian Union (2004-2009) within the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats. He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Culture and Education and he was a Member of the Delegation for relations with the Gulf States, including Yemen.

Gala was a substitute for the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety as well as for the Committee on Development. He was also a Member of the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee.

From 1992 to 1994, Gala was a Member of the Federal Assembly of the Czechoslovak Federal Republic. Then, from 1994 to 2004, he became Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic, in particular being elected from 2002 to 2004 Vice-Chairman of the Committee for Health Care.

† 8 July 2012

**Jiří HAVEL**

**PES, Czech-Republic (2009-2012)**

Jiří Havel (20 August 1957 - 8 July 2012) was a Czech politician member of the European Parliament for the Czech Social Democrat party within the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament. He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Budget and he was a member of the EU-former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia delegation as well as Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo and the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly.

After the Communist regime was toppled in 1989, he helped establish the Independent Left party. An economist by profession, in 1997 he joined the Czech Social Democrat (Česká strana sociálně demokratická), where he worked as shadow education minister and spokesman for economic policy. Jiří Havel was elected MEP in 2009, three years after he served as deputy prime minister for economy in a Social Democratic government.

† 23 July 2012

**Patrick LANE**

**ED, Ireland (1989- 1994)**

“Paddy Lane, as we all knew him, played rugby for Ireland in his earlier days. He was a good friend and a very decent man who was reliable and very conscientious about his work.

I sat with him on the agriculture committee from 1989-1994 and always found him well informed and helpful to all of us with agricultural interests in our constituencies.

Above all he was a kind man, always cheerful, and a good European who wanted to work constructively with friends from other countries.

My deepest sympathy goes to his family.”

*By Margaret Daly*

† 24 July 2012

**Alberto TRIDENTE**

**RBW, Italy (1985- 1989)**

“Alberto Tridente was born in summer 1932 and died in Turin three weeks after his 80th birthday. When we Greens entered for the first time the EP in 1984, we looked for partners to create a new political group. One of the first who became member of our Rainbow Group was the newly elected Alberto Tridente from the Italian Democrazia Proletaria. He described himself as a metal worker trade unionist who became a global citizen, anchored in the European solidarity movement. He stopped the delivery of Italian guns to the dictatorship in Chile, he linked Italian (and later on European) progressive Trade Unions with their Latin American counterparts and he became a friend of the trade union leader Lula, who later was elected president of Brazil. Alberto educated us on the conversion of military to civilian production and on solidarity with the oppressed around the world. He was radical in the positive sense: convinced, determined and intensive, but never aggressive.”

*By Frank Schwalba-Hoth*

† 12 August 2012

**Alex FALCONER**

**PES, United Kingdom (1984-1999)**

“He came from a background very different from mine. Scotland and the Canary Islands are separated by a vast expanse of the Ocean. The climates and the way of life as well as his social origins were also quite different from my own. We also happened to disagree on many of the issues concerning European integration. On the other hand, we were members of the same political group in the European Parliament for many years. Between 1986 and 1999 we lived within the same political cultural and we tried to work as well as we could for our institution and for the people we represented. Alex was a man of deep beliefs and emotions. He had deep-rooted convictions. He also had a soft heart. He was warm and kind. At the human level, he was one of the MEPs with whom I could communicate better.

It is difficult for me to come to terms with the fact that I won't be able to enjoy the sort of discussions we had about the issues of common concern. He was a decent politician and an excellent human being. I will miss him.”

*By Manuel Medina Ortega*

“First elected to the European Parliament in 1984, Alexander Falconer demonstrated his care, concern and passion for improving the lives of his fellow men and women. Alex was a brilliant campaigner who possessed the happy knack of discovering procedures in the parliament to further those causes dear to his heart, the struggle of the British miners, environmental pollution and workers and citizens' rights. He served on the committees of Economic and Monetary Affairs, the Environment and Consumer affairs, Legal Affairs and External foreign trade. An active member of the Socialist group where he formed part of the left tendency Alex was a staunch opponent of injustice and discrimination. As a convivial person he was frequently observed holding court in the cafe-bar of the Metropole Hotel in Brussels, putting the world to right. He is probably best known for his exploits in the Strasbourg plenary where he introduced tactics such as banner waving to support the British miners and frequently raised points of order.

A very generous and warm person he will be sadly missed by all his friends

in Fife Scotland and Europe. He is survived by his wife Margaret and his son and daughter.”

*By Hugh McMahan*

† 23 August 2012

**Edith MASTENBROEK**

**PES, The Netherlands (2004- 2008)**

“I worked closely with Edith in different issues in the field of civil liberties and human rights. Her constant smile and generous empathy always presided over a perfect combination of serious work, commitment to essential democratic values and openness to other people’s arguments. She was and will remain a reference for many.”

*By Ignasi Guardans*

† 24 octobre 2012

**Olivier LEFEVRE D’ORMESSON**

**NI, France (1979-1989)**

“He was a warm colleague and unswervingly loyal friend to me and many colleagues. He provided invaluable assistance to ACODA in its efforts to prepare the leaders and peoples of southern Africa for the changeover to a post-apartheid economy. This was but one of the many ways in which he sought to bring assistance to people and countries who were suffering. Mr d’Ormesson will be remembered as a generous spirited man who always remained true to himself.”

*By Guy Guermeur*

“I first met Olivier d’Ormesson in 1978 before either of us became Members of the European Parliament. We met to plan the launch of a French version of Farmer’s Weekly - the leading British agricultural journal. Olivier, at that time, was working for Groupe Prouvost who had planned a French version of the successful British publication.

We met again when I was elected to the European Parliament in 1984, Olivier having been elected there in the first ever European Elections of 1979.

He was a charming companion with a delightful sense of humour and a spirit of adventure. He invited me to join him on a visit to Angola in September 1985 to see the guerilla leader, Jonas Savimbi, who was fighting a campaign against the regime which was enjoying support from Cuba and, indirectly, the Soviet Union.”

*By Bryan Cassidy*

“I found myself lunching in the Members Dining Room with three colleagues. They were Jochen van Aerssen, a German Christian Democrat; Olivier d’Ormesson, a French member; and Tom Normanton. Shortly after the allies landed in Normandy in June 1944, a fierce battle took place in the village of d’Ormesson. The castle belonged to Olivier’s family. It had been occupied by a German Infantry company, which was under the command of Captain van Aerssen. The Germans were forced to flee due to the advancing force which included a British tank squadron commanded by Major Tom Normanton. Here, by coincidence, were the three men involved or affected by this battle, sitting around the luncheon table in Strasbourg.’

‘Whatever other good arguments exist for economic and political unity, this true story proves beyond doubt that the best reason we are elected as MEPs is that we are playing an indispensable part in ensuring peace. As Winston Churchill succinctly put it ‘Jaw Jaw is better than War War’”

*By Jack Stewart-Clark*

“Olivier d’Ormesson made a major contribution to the development of positive relations between British and French Centre-Right Members of the European Parliament in the early years after it was first directly elected in 1979. He highlighted the many policy objectives which our two countries share. I am sure that many will join me in wishing that his work will be continued and expanded. He will be remembered for his contribution.”

*By Andrew Pearce*

† 2 November 2012

**Giuseppe RAUTI**

**NI, Italy (1989- 1999)**

Giuseppe Rauti (19 November 1926 - 2 November 2012) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for the Italian

Social Movement (1989–1999). He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Development and Cooperation, on the Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy and on the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs. He was a member of the European Parliament to the Joint Assembly of the Agreement between ACP and EEC. Rauti was also a substitute for the following Committees: Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development, Culture, Youth, Education and the Media and Transport and Tourism.

† 8 January 2013

**Dieter ROGALLA**

**PES, Germany (1981-1994)**

“Eurogalla completes his final tour.

If it were customary in present-day Europe to place gifts in a person's final resting place, a bicycle, a dismantled border-crossing barrier and a toy kangaroo would be appropriate items to accompany Dieter Rogalla on his last journey. He was born on 20 August 1927 in eastern Germany and obtained a doctorate in law. Although he was only 17 years old at the end of the Second World War, this did not prevent him from serving as an air-force auxiliary and front-line soldier, sustaining injury and being taken a prisoner of war. This was an experience which marked him deeply, as did his subsequent encounters with fellow students from 16 different countries as a scholarship-holder at the Valparaiso University Law School in Indiana. ‘It was the USA which awoke in me my later commitment to a united Europe,’ he once observed. He wanted to tear down barriers and create a Europe in which people and goods could move freely.

He knew all about border issues, having begun his career in the German customs service before moving on to the German Finance Ministry.

From 1961 to 1981 he worked for the Commission in Brussels, where he rose to become head of the Legal Service. He then entered the European Parliament replacing an outgoing Member and remained there until 1994, being twice re-elected. In the Committee of Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy, for example, he tenaciously pursued his dream of removing European internal barriers and completing the internal market, gathering like-minded individuals about him, both in the cross-party Kangaroo Group and on a total of 29 legendary European

cycle tours which attracted wide media attention. It was during the last of these, shortly after his 85th birthday, that he tragically suffered a heavy fall, finally succumbing to his injuries on 8 January 2013. He is sadly missed by his four children and six grandchildren, as well as by the Members of the European Parliament and the SPD, to which he belonged since 1971, in the Münsterland and Ruhr areas of North Rhine-Westphalia, his new home after the war. He lived in Sprockhovel, where he continued to work as a member of the legal profession specialising in European law.

Nobody who knew you, dear Dieter, will ever forget you!"

*By Karin Junker*

"I remember especially him riding his bicycle and spreading good vibrations for a social Europe without borders and for an ecological transport system. His Nordic vitality and humour made him a rare figure in the Parliament of my time."

*By Eva Quistorp*

† 14 January 2013

**José POSADA GONZÁLEZ**

**ERA, Spain (1994-1999)**

José Posada González (9 May 1940 - 14 January 2013) was a Spanish politician and Member of the European Parliament for the Nationalist Coalition (1993-1999) within the Rainbow Group in the European Parliament and later the Group of the European Radical Alliance. He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Transport and Tourism and on the Committee on Budgets. He was a member of the Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union and of the Delegation for relations with Israel.

Posada González was the first member of the European Parliament to use Galician in his spoken and written communications. He was also president of the Galician Coalition.

In 1955 he found his company which was to become on the leader in the production and distribution of the Spanish marron glacé.

† 31 January 2013

**Per STENMARCK**

**EPP-ED, Sweden (1995-2004)**

“I got to know Per Stenmarck in Parliament’s Chamber where the vagaries of alphabetical order placed us side by side. I was immediately struck by his immense courtesy and great kindness. We often chatted, him speaking in French and me in English because we wanted to practice speaking these languages. After 2004, I used to see Per fairly regularly either in Strasbourg or in Brussels when he came to attend meetings, and I always greatly enjoyed the opportunities for us to catch up on what we had been doing. I was greatly saddened to hear of his death, I feel I have lost a friend I could rely on, and know that his death will leave a great void in his family, whose grief I so keenly share.”

*By Margie Sudre*

“Never emphasizing himself, Mr Per Stenmarck represented considerable political experience from young age, having served in the Swedish parliament already for 16 years, before entering the European parliament in the first Swedish delegation of MEPs in 1995.

Being the Swedish delegation leader within the Christian Democratic EPP-ED group, budget rapporteur in 2003 and president in the European parliament delegation to Estonia during the Baltic country’s membership negotiating process, Mr Stenmarck gave important and lasting contributions to the historic enlargement to former Communist countries and past Soviet Union republics.

Inviting me once as a Swedish EPP colleague to a private dinner, Mr Stenmarck wanted to give a personal flavour when informing about the new leadership and different political approach of his Moderate Party that he described as “having been maybe the best in the world remaining an opposition party”.

By now, no longer his party stays in opposition but leads the second consecutive Swedish government together with, among others, the Christian Democrats that I belong to. His presentation, at that dinner in Brussels, predicted new political times to come in our country, a true forecast given by a humble and gentle man to be remembered. R.I.P.”

*By Lennart Sacrédeus*

† 21 February 2013

**Jean-Claude PASTY**

**UPE, France (1984- 1999)**

Jean-Claude Pasty was a Member of the European Parliament for 15 years. I must confess that others are better placed than me to talk about his work within our assembly. He was also an agricultural expert, in which capacity he served as an advisor to Jacques Chirac. In this area too, I am obliged to defer to others more qualified than me to comment on his achievements. What I can say, however, speaking from my own personal experience, is that this reserved man of few words was passionately attached to his place of birth and the people living there. And it was from there, in the Limousin region of France, that he drew his interest in rural communities, his in-depth knowledge of what being a farmer is all about and his commitment to the ordinary people working the land. The Limousin gave him a great deal and he, in turn, sought to give as much back as he could throughout his career.

*By Michel Pinton*

In addition to being a colleague and a talented politician and leading figure within his political group, Jean-Claude Pasty was a personal friend of mine. Like his other close colleagues, I always admired his ability to take the same calm, clear-sighted approach to all of the issues before him, giving careful thought to each before putting forward fair-minded proposals.

His abilities were rewarded with an exemplary career in positions of great responsibility in which he served the common good and earned the respect of his colleagues across the House.

I salute the passing of a great man of parliament.

*By Guy Guermeur*

† 7 March 2013

**Frédéric STRIBY**

**I-EDN, France (1994 -1999)**

Frédéric Striby (9 June 1943 - 7 March 2013) was a French politician and Member of the European Parliament for the Majorité pour l'autre Europe party (1994-1999) within the Group of Independents for a Europe of Nations. He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Petitions,

Committee on Foreign Affairs, Security and Defence Policy and Committee on Development and Cooperation. He was a Member of the Delegation for relations with Switzerland, Iceland and Norway.

Striby was also a substitute for the Committee on Budgets and the Committee on regional politics.

In addition to this, from 1971 to 2008, Striby had been the Mayor of Michelbach-le-Bas and then, from 1992 until 2011 he had been the General Counsellor for the Canton of Huningue, elected in the Haut-Rhin region.

† 8 March 2013

**John O'CONNELL**

**PES, Ireland (1979-1981)**

“In a long and distinguished career John, who died on March 8th 2013 aged 86, was briefly a member of the European Parliament from 1979 to October 1981 when he left to become Ceann Comhairle of Dail Eireann, (Speaker of the Irish Parliament).

During his time in the EP we were joint auditors of the Socialist Group we were also part of a group of MEP's including another Irish member Neil Blaney who believed that in order to get peace in Northern Ireland it was necessary to talk to everyone involved in the conflict including the IRA. A process John had initiated during the 1970's.

John was very frustrated with the fact that although we knew from Irish sources that there were high level meetings going on with the British government the official line of the British was that we should not talk to the IRA at all. John felt differently and worked diligently to open up channels and to talk to those Republican leaders he already knew. He also intervened with the British Government on the subject of the Maze Hunger Strikers which led to the deaths of Bobby Sands and a number of other prisoners. I remain convinced that had he been allowed to pursue his initiative many of those deaths could have been avoided.

John was not long on the European scene and indeed it was clear that it was not his main interest, nonetheless his contribution whilst here was considerable and appreciated.”

*By Richard Balfe*

† 15 March 2013

**Paolo PASTORELLI**

**EPP-ED, Italy (2001-2004)**

Paolo Pastorelli (6 January 1943 - 15 March 2013) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for the United Christian Democrats (2001-2004) within the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats. He sat on the European Parliament's Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy.

Pastorelli had been Chairman of the Banca Industriale Gallaratese (B.I.G.), Chairman of Barclays Factoring B.I.G. Member of the Board of ISVEL (Istituto per Sviluppo Leasing S.p.a.). Chairman of the Weaving Section of the Italian Cotton Association, Vice-chairman of the Unione Bustese Industriali, Chairman of the 'Amici del Melo SpA' old people's home. He was awarded Silver star for sporting achievement by the Italian Olympic Committee. Pastorelli was commander of the Order of Merit of the Italian Republic.

† 21 March 2013

**Pietro-Paolo MENNEA**

**NI, Italy (1999-2004)**

Pietro-Paolo Mennea (28 June 1952 - 15 March 2013) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for The Democrats (1999-2004) firstly within the Group of the European Liberal, Democrat and Reform Party, then with the Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats before finally becoming non-attached. He sat on the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education, the Media and Sport and he was a Member of the Delegation for relations with the countries of south-east Europe and Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with the Mashreq countries and the Gulf.

Mennea was a substitute for the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Policy. After his European mandate, he also lobbied for independent dope-testing authorities in sport, which have progressively been introduced.

He was the most important Italian sprinter. He set a 200m world record of 19.72sec in Mexico City in 1979 holding it for 17 years and he also won the gold medal during the 1980 Olympics in Russia.

† 22 March 2013

**Pietro ADONNINO**

**EPP, Italy (1979-1984)**

Pietro Adonnino (6 November 1929 - 22 March 2013) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for Democrazia Cristiana (1979-1984) within the European People's Party (Christian Democrats). During his term he was Vice-Chairman of the Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Petitions. Moreover he served as Member of the Committee on Budgets and of the Delegation for relations with Japan. He served as Professor of Tax Law at the University of Rome, and as lawyer at the Supreme Court and at the European Court of Justice. He was Former member of the High Council of Finance and President of the International Fiscal Association and the Union of Lawyers of Tax Law. Lastly he has been also Board member of the International Jacques Maritain Institute and of the Executive Committee of the International Centre for Scientific Culture (ISCSC) in Geneva.

† 30 March 2013

**Andrea RAGGIO**

**PES Italy(1984-1994)**

Andrea Raggio (30 November 1929 - 30 March 2013) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for Italian Communist Party (1984-1994) firstly within the Communist and Allies Group, then with the Group for the European United Left before finally becoming part of Group of the Party of European Socialists. He sat on the Committee on Social Affairs and Employment and on the Committee on Regional Policy, Regional Planning and Relations with Regional and Local Authorities. He was a Member of the Delegation for relations with the Committee of EFTA Parliamentarians, of the Delegation for relations with the Gulf countries, of the Delegation for relations with Canada and of the Delegation for relations with the Mashreq countries. He had also been a Quaestor of the European Parliament.

Raggio was a substitute for the following Committees: Legal Affairs and Citizens' Rights, Rules of Procedure and Petitions, Agriculture, Fisheries and Food as well as Economic and Monetary Affairs and Industrial Policy. From 1977 to 1979 Raggio had been the President of Sardinia Regional Council.

† 2 April 2013

**Umberto SCAPAGNINI**

**EPP-ED, italy (1994-2004)**

Umberto Scapagnini (16 October 1941 - 2 April 2013) was an Italian politician and Member of the European Parliament for Forza Italia (1994-2004) within the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats. From 1994 to 1999 he was the Chair of the Committee on Research, Technological Development and Energy. He also sat on the Committee on Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy. He was a Member of the Delegation for relations with South Africa, of the Delegation for relations with the Gulf countries and of the Delegation for relations with the Palestinian Legislative Council.

Scapagnini was a substitute for the following Committees: Environment, Public Health and Consumer Protection, Budgets, Fisheries, Culture, Youth, Education, the Media and Sport, Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism.

In 2008 he was elected Member of the Italian parliament.