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Profile of FMA Delegation

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## <u>Dr Klaus HÄNSCH</u> FMA President and Delegation leader

Klaus Hänsch (born 1938 in Sprottau) is a German politician. He was a Member of the European Parliament from 1979 to 2009, and a member of the Party of European Socialists group, of which he was Vice-Chairman from 1989 to 1994 and from 1997 to 2009.

Klaus Hänsch was Presidium-Member of the Convention drafting a European Constitution (2002-2003) and Parliament's representative in the Intergovernmental Conference on the Constitutional Treaty for the European Union (2003-2004). He was Member for Germany (SPD) from 1979 to 2009 and President of the European Parliament from 1994 to 1997. Klaus Hänsch is currently President of the Former Members Association.

## Monica BALDI - FMA Vice-President

Monica Baldi, architect and urban planner, is Grand Officer of Merit of the Italian Republic. She is Vice President of the European Parliament Former Members Association (FMA) and of ARS PACE. Ambassador of AWomen20. Deputy and Secretary of the Commission for Foreign and Community Affairs at the Chamber of Deputies from 2001 to 2006. MEP and Deputy President of the Committee for Culture, Youth, Education, Media and Sport from 1994 to 1999.

Baldi was Vice President of the Red Cross of Pistoia and President of the associations: Pinocchio di Carlo Lorenzini, Pinocchioworld, Laurus and Professional Cycling Groups League. She is speaker and promoter of conferences on: international politics, cooperation and development, culture, urban planning, environment. She has always been committed to the defence of Human Rights and in particular for the Rights of Women. She is the co-author of the FMA publications produced in collaboration with the Historical Archives of the European Union: "Overcoming the Pandemic" and "Present Future of Europe".



## Jean-Pierre AUDY - Treasurer

Born on 12 June 1952 in Tulle (France), ha was a Member of the European Parliament 2005-2014.

He was Vice-Chair of the Committee on Budgetary Control from 2009 to 2012, Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with the Mercosur countries from 2010 to 2014, Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly from 2013 to 2014. He was also Member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy, Committee on International Trade, Delegation for relations with the countries of Southeast Asia and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) and the Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries and the Arab Maghreb Union (including Libya).

## **Teresa RIERA MADURELL**- Honorary Secretary



Teresa Riera Madurell is a former Member of the European Parliament (2004-2014) known for her

contributions to research and innovation. She served as the S&D coordinator of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and was the rapporteur of Horizon 2020, a key research and innovation program. From 2014 to 2019, she was Member of the RISE-Advisory Group of Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science. Ms Riera Madurell is a professor of Computer Sciences and Artificial Intelligence, chairs the Science Policy Advisory Committee at the Barcelona Supercomputing Centre (BSC-CNS), and is President of the Balearic Islands-Council of the European Movement and Member of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and of the Balearic Group of the Club of Rome Spanish Chapter.



# Miguel Angel MARTÍNEZ MARTÍNEZ Member of the Management Committee

Born on 30 January 1940, Madrid, Spain. After 14 years of exile, Member of the National Directorate of the Spanish Socialist Workers' Party and Secretary General of the Party in the region of Castilla-La Mancha.

He was a Member of the Spanish Parliament from 1977 to 1999 and a Member of the European Parliament from 1999 to 2014 and Vice-President of the European Parliament from 2007 to 2014. He was the Honorary President of the Inter-Parliamentary World Union and the Honorary President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. He became Vice-Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the House of European History and received an Honorary Doctorate from the Universities of Aberdeen (Scotland/UK), Bratislava (Slovakia), Cluj (Romania) and the NGIMO in Moscow (Russia). He received multiple awards: Spanish Order of Merit for the Constitution, the Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit and the Grand Cross of the Order of Isabel la Católica. He has also received other awards in over thirty countries as well as the Medal of Honor of the Western European Union, Honorary Citizen of the Island of Kos in Greece and of the City of Kork in Ireland.

# Manuel Porto Member of the Management Committee

PhD in Legal Economic Sciences from the Law School of the

University of Coimbra and M.Phil in Economics from the University of Oxford. Was President of the Central Region Commission, President of the National Planning Council, Member of the European Parliament, President of the National Council for Education and World President of the European Community Studies Associations. Participated in research projects of the Council of Europe, of the European Commission, of the OECD and of the World Bank. Is currently President of AREP (Portuguese Association for European Studies), SRS Consultant, Vice Secretary General of the Academy of Sciences of Lisbon and Professor of the Universities of Coimbra (where he is President of the European Studies Association, being director of the journal Temas de Integração) and Lusíada (where he is coordinator of CEJEA, Center of Economic, Legal and Environmental Studies). He teaches also in Macau, in the University (where he was member of the Advisory Committee of the University) and in the Institute of European Studies). He has a great number of publications, articles and books, in areas as public finances, development and international relations and integration, among them recent editions of Economia: Um Texto Introdutório (coming edition in 2022) and Teoria da Integração e Políticas da União Europeia (2017, with previous editions also in English and in Chinese).



# Godelieve QUISTHOUDT-ROWOHL Member of the Management Committee

Dr Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl is a former EP Member of the European Parliament (1989-2019). A research scientist, she has a Dr. phil. nat. from the Catholic University Leuven.

She served as Vice-Chair on the Committees for Energy, Research and Industrial Policy and the Committee on International Trade and was EPP coordinator and speaker for transatlantic relations. She was also deputy member of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee and Member of the subcommittee on Human Rights. From 1999 to 2007, she was elected as Quaestor and Member of the European Parliament Bureau.

She sat in the delegations for EU-Canada, USA and Eurolat relations. In 2005, she received Germany's Federal Cross of Merit on the Band. She remains active in academia, is Honorary Professor at the Foundation University of Hildesheim and holds visiting lectures. In May 2023, she was elected to the EP\_FMA Management Committee

# <u>Paul Rübig</u> Member of the Management Committee



Born on 6 May 1953, Wels, Austria. He was Member of the European Parliament 1996-2019. He is Member of the EESC 2020; Member of the EIT Governing Board 2020; Member of the Advisory Board of Rübig Holding GmbH 2019.

He had a Metallurgical Forging company Rübig 1972 – 1996. He was Member of the Upper Austrian Parliament 1991 – 1995; Member of the National Parliament 1996; Member of the Austrian Federal Economic Chamber. From 1991 – 2020. He was Chairman of the EU Education Policy of the Federation of Austrian Industries 2001 – 2005. He make lectureships: University of Klagenfurt, Innsbruck, Salzburg, Linz and publications (e.g. licence- and patentmarketing, telecommunication, entrepreneurship)





#### **Jean-Paul BENOIT**

Jean-Paul Benoit, born on 28 September 1936 in Marennes, is a French lawyer and politician. Jean-Paul Benoit was Member of the European Parliament from 1989 to 1994. He was Member of the Socialist Group and the Group of the Party of European Socialists.

During his term, he was Member of the Committee on External Economic Relations and Member of the Delegation for relations with the United States.

## **Soledad CABEZÓN RUIZ**



Soledad Cabezón Ruiz (born 1 September 1973) is a Spanish politician for the Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) who served as Member of the European Parliament from 2014 until 2019.

She was a member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy from 2014 until 2015. and the Committee on Petitions. From 2015 until 2019, she served on the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety. In addition, she was a member of the Parliament's delegation to the EU-Chile Joint Parliamentary Committee.

Cabezón was a member of the MEP Heart Group (sponsored by the European Heart Network (EHN) and the European Society of Cardiology (ESC)), a group of parliamentarians who have an interest in promoting measures that will help reduce the burden of cardiovascular diseases (CVD).





Michael Cramer (born 16 June 1949) is a German politician who served as Member of the European Parliament (MEP) from 2004 until 2019. He is a member of the Alliance 90/The Greens, part of the European Green Party.

During his last term, he was Chair and Member of the Committee on Transport and Tourism. He was Member of the Conference of Committee Chairs and Member of the Delegation to the EU-North Macedonia Joint Parliamentary Committee.

He is also the founder of the Iron Curtain Trail, a project to complete a long-distance cycling route following the old border of the Iron Curtain in Europe.

## **Jan DHAENE**



Jan Dhaene was Member of the European Parliament from 2002 to 2004. Jan Dhaene holds a master's degree in political and social sciences from the University of Leuven.

He was Member of the Group of the Party of European Socialists. During his term, he was Vice-Chair and Member of the Delegation for relations with Israel. He was also Member of the Committee on Regional Policy, Transport and Tourism.

From 2010 to 2023, he has been a sustainable development adviser at the FPS Finance.



#### **Teresa DOMINGO**

Teresa Domingo was member of the European Parliament from 1989 to 1994.

She was Vice-Chair in the Committee on Women's Rights. She was also Member of the Delegation for Relations with Japan, Member of the Committee on Agriculture, Fisheries and Rural Development and Member of the Delegation for Relations with US and Delegation to the ACP-EU.

## Vitaliano GEMELLI



Vitaliano Gemelli (born 27 June 1946) is an Italian politician. Vitaliano Gemelli was Member of the European Parliament from 1999 to 2004.

He was Member of Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) and European Democrats. He was Chair of the Committee on Petitions. He was Member of Conference of Committee Chairmen; Committee on Development and Cooperation; Delegations to the parliamentary cooperation committees and delegations for relations with Ukraine, Belarus and Moldova; Members from the European Parliament to the Joint Parliamentary Assembly of the Agreement between the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Union (ACP-EU).

From 2000 to 2008, he was vice-president of the Union nationale de lutte contre l'analphabétisme, of which he became national president in June 2008.



## **Françoise GROSSETÊTE**

Françoise Grossetête (born 17 May 1946 in Lyon) is a French politician. Françoise Grossetête was Member of the European Parliament from 1994 to 2019.

She was Vice-Chair and Member of the Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats). During her last term, she was Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety; Member of the Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee; Member of the Committee of Inquiry into Emission Measurements in the Automotive Sector.

## **Malcolm HARBOUR**



Malcolm Harbour was Member of the European Parliament from 1999 to 2014.

He was Member of the European Conservatives and Reformists Group. During his last term, he was Chair and Member of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection. He was also member of the Conference of Committee Chairs; Member of the Delegation for relations with Afghanistan; Member of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection.

He was a key player in shaping policies and legislation for the single market, manufacturing industry, the digital economy, research and consumer protection. He was appointed a CBE for services to the UK economy in 2013.



#### **Gisela KALLENBACH**

Gisela Kallenbach (born 28 March 1944) is a German politician. Gisela Kallenbach was Member of the European Parliament from 2004 to 2009. She was Member of the Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance.

During her term, she was Member of the Committee on Regional Development and Member of the Delegation for relations with the countries of south-east Europe. From 2009 to 2014, she was a member of the Saxon state parliament. In 2001, she was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany.

#### Jo LEINEN



Joseph Leinen (born 6 April 1948) is a German politician. Jo Leinen was Member of the European Parliament from 1999 to 2019. He was Member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats.

During his last term, he was Chair and Member of the Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China. He was also Member of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs; Member of the Conference of Delegation Chairs and Member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety.

He is well known for his environmental and foreign affairs activities, as well as for his support for a Federal Europe. He obtained a law degree in Germany in 1972 and a Certificate of Advanced European Studies from the College of Europe in Bruges, Belgium, in 1974. Since 1977 he has worked as a lawyer.





George Lyon (born 16 July 1956) is a Scottish Liberal Democrat politician. George Lyon was Member of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2014.

Lyon is a former farmer from the Isle of Bute, and previous National Farmers Union of Scotland president. From 1999 to 2007 he was the Member of the Scottish Parliament (MSP) for Argyll and Bute, and served as both Chief Whip and Deputy Finance Minister. He was Member of the Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe. During his term, he was Vice-Chair and Member of the Committee on Budgets. He was also Member of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development and Member of the Delegation for relations with Australia and New Zealand.

## **Robert John MORELAND**



Robert Moreland (born in 1981 in Gloucester) is a British politician. He was member of the European Parliament from 1979 to 1984.

After his term at the European Parliament, he was a Member of Economic and Social Committee of the EU from 1986 to 1998, and served as Chairman of the Regional Policy and Town and Country Planning Section of the Committee from 1990 to 1998.

#### **Doris PACK**



Graduated from teaching college (1965). Taught in primary schools (1965-1974). Senior Adviser in the Ministry of Education Saarland (1983-1985).

Member of Bübingen council (1967-1974). Member of Saarbrücken city council (1974-1976); Member of the Bundestag (1974-1983 and 1985-1989). Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and of the WEU Assembly (1981-1983 and 1985-1989).

Member of the European Parliament (EPP Group) since July 1989. Chairwoman of the Delegation for relations with South-East-Europe ,Chairwoman of the Committee on Culture

President Robert Schuman Institute RSI, Chair Franco-German Foundation for Cultural Cooperation. President of the open university association (VHS) Saar. President of the European children and youth book fair. Honorary President EPP Women,

Federal Order of Merit (1985). Order of Zvonimir (Croatia) (1995). Federal Order of Merit, First Class (1996). French Ordre international de mérite (1996) and Etoile civique en or (2004). Order of the Republic of Albania (2002 and 2015) Austrian Order of Merit (2006). Honorary doctorate University of Zadar, Croatia (2007) University of Prishtina, Kosovo (2010). Jean Monnet Award (2011). Chevalier de L'ordre national de la Légion d'honneur française (Knight of the French Legion of Honour, 2012)Honorary doctorate University of Arad (Romania 2014). Honorary doctorate University VERN ,Zagreb(2023).

Honorary Citizen of Shengjin and Kukes in Albania, and Vitia in Kroatien

#### **Peter PRICE**

While an MEP for 15 years, Peter served as Chair of the Parliament's Budgetary Control Committee and earlier as spokesperson for his political group on the Legal Affairs and Budgets Committees.

Since then, as European Strategy Counsel, Peter has advised public bodies and major multinational companies on EU strategic issues. One of the earliest such roles was advising the Latvian Government on key steps necessary for its EU accession.

He was a part-time Judge for 12 years and has had a series of non-executive Board roles relating to health, higher education, devolution and public audit. He served on the Board of the UK Food Standards Agency and as Chair of its Welsh Food Advisory Committee until September 2023.

Peter left the Conservative Party in 1997 and joined the Liberal Democrats. He served on the Party's Policy Committee and its Parliamentary International Affairs Committee until 2020. He currently serves on the ALDE (pan-European party) Council.



## **Frank SCHWALBA-HOTH**

Frank Schwalba-Hoth (born 12 December 1952 in Hamburg, Germany) is a former politician, founding member of the German Greens. Franck Schwalba-Hoth was Member of the European Parliament from 1984 to 1987.

He was Member of the Rainbow Group: Federation of the Green-Alternative European Links, Agelev-Ecolo, the Danish People's Movement against Membership of the European Community and the European Free Alliance in the European Parliament. During his term, he was Vice-Chair and Member of the Committee on the Rules of Procedure and Petitions. Since Frank Schwalba-Hoth left the European Parliament in 1987 he has been a consultant and networker in Brussels. He was director of the Greenpeace liaison office for several years.

## Margarita STARKEVIČIŪTĖ



Margarita Starkevičiūtė (born in 1956 in Jeniseiskas) is a Lithuanian politician who served as a Member of the European Parliament from 2004 to 2009. She graduated in economics at the Vilnius University, in 1978. She was Member of the Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe.

During her term, she was Member of the Committee on Budgetary Control; Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs and Member of the Delegation for relations with Japan. She also obtained a PhD in social sciences with a specialization in economics at this university. She is a member of the EU institutions advisory boards, and of the Lithuania Culture and Arts Council.



#### **Hannes SWOBODA**

Hannes Swoboda (born 10 November 1946) is an Austrian social democratic politician. Hannes Swoboda was Member of the European Parliament from 1996 to 2014. After studying law and economics at the <u>University of Vienna</u>, Swoboda worked in the Vienna Chamber of Labour (1971–86) and was director of the department for urban policies and housing policy.

He was Chair and Member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament. During his last term, he was Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs; Member of the Delegation to the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly; Member of the Delegation to the EU-Kazakhstan, EU-Kyrgyzstan and EU-Uzbekistan Parliamentary Cooperation Committees, and for relations with Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Mongolia; Member of the Delegation for relations with the United States and Member of the Conference of Presidents.

#### **Csaba Sándor TABAJDI**



Csaba Sándor Tabajdi (born June 26, 1952 in Kiskunfélegyháza) is a Hungarian politician. In 1989-90, he was a deputy minister in the Government of Hungary. He was a member of the Hungarian National Assembly between 1990 and 2004 in the group of the Hungarian Socialist Party.

Csaba Sándor TABAJDI was Member of the European Parliament from 2003 to 2014. He was Member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats. During his last term, he was Member of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development; Member of the Committee on Petitions and Member of the Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China.



#### **Bob VAN DEN BOS**

Bob van den Bos (born 19 December 1947 in The Hague) is a Dutch political scientist and politician. In 2008, he obtained his doctorate from the University of Leiden with a thesis in political, administrative and historical sciences. He was a member of the Upper House, Lower House and European Parliament for D66.

Bob Van Den Bos was Member of the European Parliament from 1999 to 2004. He was Member of the Group of the European Liberal, Democrat and Reform Party. During his term, he was Member of the Committee on Development and Cooperation; Member of the the European Parliament to the Joint Parliamentary Assembly of the Agreement between the African, Caribbean and Pacific States and the European Union (ACP-EU) and Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Human Rights, Common Security and Defence Policy.