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## Profile of FMA Delegation's Members

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# FMA Board Members



## Dr Klaus HÄNSCH - FMA 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 (born on 26 April 1959, Pistoia, Italy) was a Member of the European Parliament, 1994-1999.

She was the Deputy President of the Committee for Culture, Youth, Education, Information and Sport and the

President of the Working Group on Climate Change and Small Island States of the ACP-EU Joint Assembly (Africa-Caribbean-Pacific and European Union).

She was also a Member of the Committee for Environmental Protection, Public Health, and Consumer Protection, of the Women's Rights Committee and coordinator in the Committee for Development and Cooperation.

She became a Member of the Italian Parliament, 2001-2006 and was honored with the title of Grand Officer of Merit of the Italian Republic.

She is an architect, expert in urban planning, and author. Baldi is active in supporting foreign policy, sustainable development, humanitarian actions and women's rights and is currently the Vice President of the Former Members Association.





## Jean-Pierre AUDY - FMA Treasurer

Jean-Pierre Audy (born on 12 June 1952, Tulle, France) was a Member of the European Parliament between 2005 – 2014. He was the Vice-Chair of the Committee on Budgetary Control from 2009 to 2012 and the Vice-Chair of the Delegation for relations with the Mercosur countries from 2010 to 2014.

Audy was the Vice-Chair of the Delegation to the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly from 2013 to 2014 and a 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- FMA Honorary Secretary

Teresa Riera Madurell (born on 13 October 1950, Barcelona, Spain) was a Member of the European Parliament between 2004-2014. She was the S&D coordinator of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy 2007-2014.

She was the Rapporteur of the Framework Programme for Research and Innovation: Horizon 2020 as well as a Member of the RISE-Advisory Group of Commissioner for Research, Innovation and Science (2014-2019).

Riera Madurell is a Professor of Computer Sciences and Artificial Intelligence at the University of Balearic Islands and the Chair of Science Policy Advisory Committee at Barcelona Supercomputing Centre (BSC-CNS).

She is also a Member of the Foundation for European Progressive Studies Council (FEPS)- Scientific Council, the Balearic Group of the Club of Rome Spanish Chapter and the President of the Balearic Islands-Council of the European Movement.



## Micheal HINDLEY - FMA Board Member

Micheal Hindley (born on 11 April 1947, Blackburn, United Kingdom) was a Member of the European Parliament between 1984 – 1999. He was the Vice-President of the External Economic Affairs Committee with Parliamentary responsibilities for scrutiny of the entire range of EU external bilateral and multilateral relations 1989-1999. He was an expert for the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC) 2008-2020.

He was a former Associate Professor at Georgetown University of the MBA Programme ‘Government Business Relations in the age of globalization’ and a former lecturer of ‘European Studies’ at Lancaster University, London School of Economics (LSE), University of California (Berkeley) and Taras Shevchenko University (Kiev). Election observer for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (EESC). He has also been a Guest lecturer for “EP to Campus” programme in Germany, India, Romania, Bulgaria, Estonia, Russia and Malta.

## Manuel PORTO- FMA Board Member



Manuel Porto (born on 15 June 1943, Coimbra, Portugal) was a Quaestor of the European Parliament and the Parliament’s Bureau between 1992-1994. He was the Vice-Chair of the Committee on Budgets 1994-1997 and a Member of the Academic Council of the Jean Monnet Action.

Porto was the former World President of the ECSAs, the European Community Studies Associations (2002-2008) and the Director of the Association of European Studies (University of Coimbra).

He is a lecturer of ‘Policies of the European Union’ at the University of Lusíada of Oporto and of ‘International Economic Law’ at the University of Lusíada of Lisbon. He is also a visiting Professor of the University and Institute of European Studies of Macau and the Vice Secretary General of the Academy of Sciences of Lisbon.



## Dr. Godelieve QUISTHOUDT-ROWOHL - FMA Board Member

Dr. Godelieve Quisthoudt-Rowohl (born on 18 June 1947, Etterbeek, Germany) was a Member of the European Parliament and is a Member of the Management Committee meeting of the FMA.

She Studied of Physical Chemistry in Leuven/Belgium and at the Max Planck Institute for Biophysical Chemistry in Göttingen with Prof. Dr. Manfred Eigen (Nobel Prize winner). She has a Doctorate to Dr. phil. nat.

She was a Wiss. Assistant MHH Medical University Hannover and was part of the Academic Council of the University of Hildesheim Foundation.

She received an honorary Professorship for her activity in Research and Teaching at the Foundation University of Hildesheim and is the bearer of the Federal Cross of Merit on the Band.

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## Dr. Isabella DE MARTINI

Dr. Isabella Susanna de Martini was an Italian Member of the European Parliament from 2009-2014. She was a Member of the European Conservatives and Reformists. During her legislative terms, she was a Member of the Foreign Affairs and Budget Committees as well as a Member of the delegation for the relations with the United States and Israel .

## Jan DHAENE



Jan Dhaene (born 1959) was a Belgian Member of the European Parliament from 2002-2004. Within the European Parliament, his main activities were focused on Transport and Regional Development. Dhaene has a Master's in Political Science, with the main focus on International Relations.

Today, he is an Attaché for Sustainable Development where his main activities and responsibilities lie with the creation of energy saving programs and introducing introducing new technologies. He works for the Belgian Ministry of Finance.





## Avril DOYLE

Avril Doyle served as a Member of both upper and lower legislative houses in Ireland between 1982-2002. . She was Minister of State in the Depts of Finance and Environment 1986-1987 and Minister of State Depts of Taoiseach (Prime Minister), Dept of Finance and Dept of Transport, Energy and Communications from 1995 – 1997.

Avril Doyle was a Member of the European Parliament and a leader of the Irish Delegation in the European People's Party from 1999 – 2009. She was a member of the Environment, Public Health and Consumer Affairs Committee 1999-2009; member of the Agriculture Committee 1999- 2004 and was a member of the Industry Research and Energy Committee 2004-2009. She was on the European Parliament's Temporary Committee on Climate Change (CLIM); was VP of the Delegation for relations with the Gulf States and Yemen; and Member of the Delegations for relations with China and with South Africa. Avril was the rapporteur for a key part of the European Parliament's legislation on Climate change - the 2008 Emissions Trading Directive.

## Georgios EPITIDEIOS

Former MEP Georgios Epitideios is a Retired Army Lieutenant General. In 2014, he became a Greek Member of the European Parliament. with the Party of Popular Association Golden Dawn. In April 2019 he left this Party and became Independent. Since then, he has not been a member of any political party.

He was a Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs and the Delegation to the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee.





## Colette GADIOUX

Colette Gadioux (born in 1945 in Bellac) is a French politician. She was a member of the European Parliament from 1984 to 1989. During her term, she worked extensively on women's right issues. She was also part of the delegation for relations with the countries of South America.

Apart from her work for the European Parliament, she was representative of France to the United Nations in New York, Commission on the Status of Women (1984-1989). She is also officer of the Legion of Honour.

## Cristina GUTIERREZ-CORTINES

Cristina Gutiérrez-Cortines (born 17 December 1939 in Madrid) has a PhD. Full Professor of History of Art. Murcia University. She is a Spanish politician and Member of the European Parliament between 1999 and 2014. She was part of the European Parliament's Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety.

She was a substitute for the Committee on Budgetary Control and the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. She was also a substitute for the Delegation to the EU-Turkey Joint Parliamentary Committee, and a member of the Reconciliation of European Histories Group. She was also a Vice-President of the Israel Delegation and a member of the EU Turkey ASEAN Delegations – The Mediterranean Assembly. Representant of the Parliament on the UNCCD. She was the President of Fundación Ars Civilis.





## NATHALIE GRIESBECK

Nathalie Griesbeck (born in 1956 in Metz) is a French politician who served as a Member of the European Parliament from 2014 to 2019. She holds a master's degree in public law (1979) and postgraduate diplomas (DEAs) in public law (1980) and legal history (1981). She was formerly a lecturer in public law at the University of Metz, and has

served as deputy mayor of Metz, with responsibility for finance and economic development, vice-chair of Metz Council, with responsibility for economic development, a member of the Moselle Council, and chair of Transcité (2001–2003). She holds the Palmes académiques and the Ordre National du Mérite.

## Odile LEPERRE-VERRIER



Born in 1950 in Orléans, psychologist by training and graduate of the Institut d'études politiques de Paris.

Before becoming a Member of the European Parliament, she worked as a political advisor and project manager in the senior civil service (head of cabinet, technical advisor to the Ministry of National Education and to the President of the National Assembly).

After her term of office at the EP, she was a counsellor at the French Embassy in Budapest, then administrator at the Nord Pas de Calais Regional Council (formerly Hauts de France), in charge of the region's representative office to the European institutions.

Now retired, she continues her associative and political activities, particularly in the cultural and European fields.

Widowed, mother of two children Edouard and Fabien, grandmother of three charming grandchildren Chloé, Gabin and Juliette, her family is the sunshine of her life.

At the EP, she was a member of the AER - European Radical Alliance group, chaired by Catherine Lalumière. She has been very active in the fields of culture, education, social affairs and women's rights. Has also sat on the REX and Petitions committees.



## Gabriel MITCHELL

Gay Mitchell was a Minister for European Affairs (at the Department of Taoiseach (Prime Minister) and at the Department of Foreign Affairs) (1994-1997). He also became a Minister with responsibility for the International Financial Services Centre and with responsibility for Local Development (Department of the Taoiseach).

During his tenure as an Irish Member of the European Parliament he was the Leader of the Fine Gael MEPs (EPP Group), a Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (rapporteur on the ECB annual report (2007) and the EIB and EBRD annual reports (2008) and the Committee on Development (rapporteur on the Development Cooperation Instrument (2004-2006) and Emergency Food Facility (2008)); President of the Working Group on Human Dignity (2009- 2014).

## Atanas Atanassov PAPANIZOV



Atanas Atanassov Papanizov was a Member of Parliament, elected to the 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th and 40th National Assemblies of Bulgaria. He was the Bulgarian Minister of Trade and Foreign Economic Relations in 1990, 1991 and 1996.

Between 2007 and 2009, Atanas Atanassov Papanizov was a Member of the European Parliament. During his tenure he was a Member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy and was a member of the delegation for relations with the United States.



## Elly PLOOIJ VAN GORSEL

Elly Plooij-van Gorsel (born 20 March 1947 in Tholen, Zeeland) was a Member of the European Parliament (MEP) in the delegation of the liberal People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (Volkspartij voor Vrijheid en Democratie - VVD) for ten years.

She was a member of the committee for Research, Technology and Energy and of the committee for External Economic Relations. She was a member of the Delegation for Relations with the United States, and a substitute of the Delegation for Relations with the Czech Republic. She also was a member of the committee for Industry, External Trade, Research and Energy and a substitute for the committee for Economic and Monetary Affairs. She became chairperson of the Delegation for Relations with the People's Republic of China. Between 2001 and 2002, she was vice-president of the European Parliament.

## Anni PODIMATA



Anni Podimata is a journalist, former member of the EP (2007-2014) and former Vice-President of the European Parliament (2011-2014). She studied French literature at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and followed a post-graduate seminar in Paris.

Before serving at the European Parliament, she worked at major newspapers with a special expertise on diplomatic and EU Affairs. She currently works as an EU Affairs advisor for the Greek Manufacturing Industry.





## MICHEL PINTON

Michel Pinton (born in 1937 in Felletin) is a French politician. He served as a Member of the European Parliament from 1993 to 1994 and was a Member of the Committee on Culture, Youth, Education and the Media.

Besides, he worked in the United States for Robert Kennedy and then at Princeton University. He was one of the collaborators of Valéry Giscard D'Estaing, French Minister of Economy and Finance who was then elected President of the Republic.

## 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. As Team Leader for an EU-funded project, he advised 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 is currently on the Board of the UK Food Standards Agency and Chair of its Welsh Food Advisory Committee.

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.





## Ona RAINYTE-BODARD

Ona Raintye-Bodard was a Lithuanian Member of the European Parliament from 2004-2009. She was the President for Inter parliamentary relations with Central Asia and Mongolia.

She also was a member in the Economic and Monetary as well as a Budget Control, Employment and Social Affairs legislator. From 2009 onwards she worked in the Ministry of Economy of Belarus / World Bank as a Senior Adviser. Today she is a freelance consultant. Raintye-Bodard holds an M.A. in Economics of Industry and a Ph.D. in Social Sciences.

## Michel-Ange SCARBONCHI



Michel Scarbonchi, born July 24, 1950 in Casablanca (Morocco), is a French politician and businessman. He was a member of the European Parliament from 1997 to 2004, elected on the MRG list in 1994 and then on François Hollande's list in 1999.

He was also regional councillor for the Ile-de-France region from 1998 to 2004, and municipal councillor for Sartrouville in 2001. After thirty-four years of active campaigning, he left politics to set up his own international consultancy firm.

During his two partial European mandates, Michel Scarbonchi was a member of the Budget and Development commissions, and delegate to the A.C.P. (Africa-Caribbean-Pacific) and, as part of the enlargement process, Vice-Chairman of the EU-Hungary Joint Committee. He took part in numerous election observation, mediation and fact-finding missions in Togo, Benin, Mauritania, Morocco, Algeria, Congo, D.R.C., Djibouti, Ethiopia, Côte d'Ivoire and Liberia.

He was awarded the distinction of CHEVALIER DE LA LEGION D'HONNEUR (2000) and the Medal of Honor of the Ile de France Region (2007), of which he was the President of the International and European Commission and the Secretary General of Métropolis (1999-2003).



## Margie SUDRE

Margie Sudre is a versatile figure who has navigated between medicine, politics and social commitment. A native of Marseille, she trained in intensive care at the La Timone Faculty of Medicine, before practicing in various regions.

In 1993, Margie Sudre was elected President of the Regional Council of La Réunion, on the Freedom ticket. She supported Jacques Chirac in the 1995 presidential election. Later, she was appointed Secretary of State for Francophonie at the Quai d'Orsay. In 1999, she was elected to the European Parliament, then became President of the French Right and Center Delegation within the EPP until 2009.

After leaving politics, Margie Sudre chaired the Haut Conseil de la Commande Publique from 2010 to 2017. She has received honors such as the Ordre des Francophones d'Amérique, the Légion d'Honneur, and wrote her autobiography, "Du Mékong au Quai d'Orsay," in 1998.

## Britta THOMSEN

Britta Thomsen (born in Alborg, Denmark, 1954) was a Danish Member of the European Parliament between 2004 and 2014. She was the Vice-chair of the ITRE committee (Industry, Technology, Research and Energy) from 2004-2007.

She was the Rapporteur and shadow rapporteur on directives on Renewable Energy, Energy Efficiency, and Biofuels. Thomsen was appointed by the Danish Parliament as a deputy member of the Supreme Court for a period of six years 2021-2027. She has been writing articles about the Nordic labor market model and about the political situation in Denmark and contributed to some of the FEPS books. From 2012-2023 she has been the adjunct professor at the Copenhagen Business School in the department of Digitalization. She received the Danish Women Society prize "Mathildeprisen" in 2015 for her visionary and persistent effort to establish gender equality in Europa.





## **Bob VAN DEN BOS**

Bob VAN DEN BOS is Dr in political and social sciences. He's a Former member of the Dutch Parliament : Second Chamber and First Chamber (Senate) and Former Member of the European Parliament (Liberals).

He was Deputy Chairman political party D66 and Writer of books and articles on European affairs.

## **Marina YANNAKOUDAKIS**

Marina YANNAKOUDAKIS was a Conservative Member of the European Parliament for London, 2009 – 2014. She spearheaded a pivotal campaign in the European Parliament against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM).

After her election in June 2009, she served on numerous committees holding leading roles which included Full Member and Spokesman on Women's Rights and Gender Equality, Full Member of the Environmental, Public Health & Food Safety Committee, Full Member of High Level Turkish-Cypriot Contact Group and Substitute Member for Special Committee on Organised Crime, Corruption and Money Laundering.

She is the co-founder of Viamare Travel, a credible and hugely successful Pan European company representing ferry operators in Europe. Yannakoudakis is the author of numerous published papers and reports covering health and women's rights issues and has shadowed and amended circa 300 European Parliament reports.

