

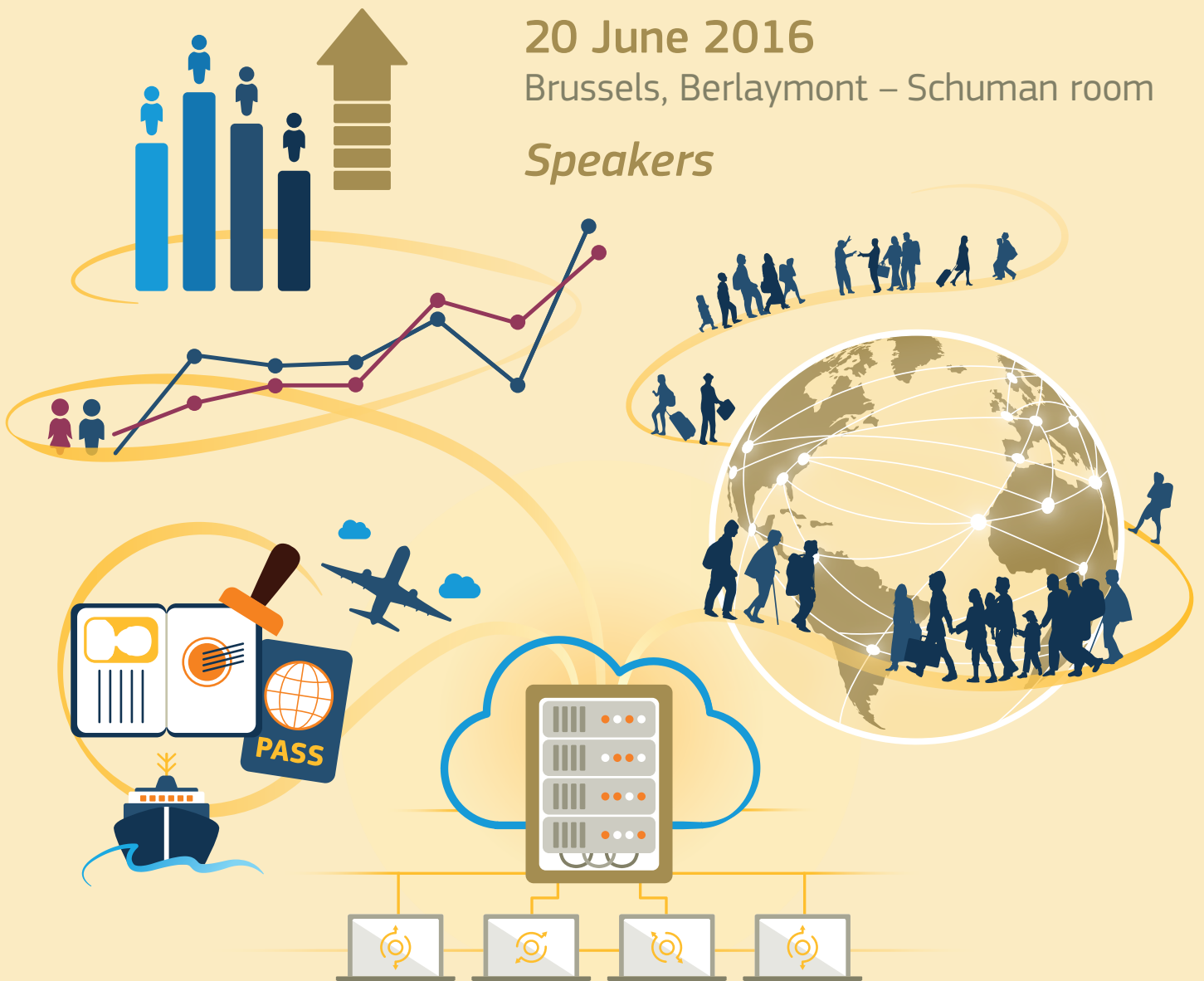
The European Commission's Knowledge Centre for Migration and Demography

Launch event

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Brussels, Berlaymont – Schuman room

Speakers





Kristalina Georgieva

Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management, European Commission

Kristalina Georgieva is the current European Commission Vice-President for Budget and Human Resources. She negotiates and manages the EU budget, ensuring that it is invested in the best way to serve EU citizens. Prior to that function, she was the Commissioner responsible for the EU's International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response. She led the set-up of the European Emergency Response Coordination Centre and the operations of the EU Civil Protection Mechanism.

Before joining the European Commission in February 2010, she held a number of positions at the World Bank. Kristalina Georgieva has an M. A. in Political Economy and Sociology and a PhD in Economic Science from the University of National and World Economy in Sofia, Bulgaria, where she was an Associate Professor between 1977 and 1991. She has more than 100 publications on environmental and economic policy topics, including a textbook on microeconomics.

Christos Stylianides



Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management, European Commission

Christos Stylianides is the European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management. On October 2014, he was appointed by the European Council EU Ebola Coordinator. Previously he was Member of the European Parliament (EPP Group) and Member of the Committee on Budgets and substitute Member of the Committee on Industry, Research and Energy. He was also Member of the Delegation for relations with the USA and substitute Member of the Delegation for relations with Israel. From 2006 to 2013 he was Member of the Cyprus House of Representatives, being Government Spokesperson of the Republic of Cyprus twice (1998-1999: under former President Glafcos Clerides and in 2013-2014 under the current President Nikos Anastasiades).

Tibor Navracsics



Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport, European Commission

Tibor Navracsics is the European Commissioner for Education, Culture, Youth and Sport. From 2010 to 2014 he was Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Administration and Justice in his country, Hungary. Just before joining the Commission he was Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade. He worked at Faculty of Law and Political Sciences, ELTE (1999) and as Secretary-General, Hungarian Political Science Association from 1997 to 2000.



Carlos Moedas

Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation, European Commission

Carlos Moedas is the European Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation. Carlos Moedas holds a degree in civil engineering from the Instituto Superior Técnico and an MBA from Harvard Business School. He has worked for Goldman Sachs and Eurohypo Investment Bank. Elected a Member of Parliament in 2011, he was appointed Secretary of State working directly under the Prime Minister. In this capacity, he was Portugal's chief interlocutor with the Troika (Commission, European Central Bank and International Monetary Fund), and also supervised the implementation of the programme agreed with the international creditors.



Vladimir Šucha

Director-General, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Vladimir Šucha is Director-General of the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission, its in-house scientific service. He was Deputy Director-General of the JRC between 2012 and 2013. Prior to that, he spent 6 years in the position of Director for Culture and Media in the Directorate-General for Education and Culture of the European Commission. Before joining the European Commission, he held various positions in the area of European and international affairs. Between 2005 and 2006, he was Director of the Slovak Research and Development Agency, the national body responsible for funding research. He was principal advisor for European Affairs to the Minister of Education of the Slovak Republic (2004-2005). He worked at the Slovak Representation to the EU in Brussels as research, education and culture counselor (2000-2004). In parallel, he has followed a long-term academic and research career, being a full professor in Slovakia and visiting professor/scientist at different academic institutions in many countries. He published more than 100 scientific papers in peer reviewed journals.



Peter Díez

Deputy Director, Migration Policy of Ministry of Security and Justice, the Netherlands

Peter Díez is Deputy Director of Migration Policy of Ministry of Security and Justice of the Netherlands. He is responsible for the integral management and for the development and implementation of international and European strategic policies and objectives. He has been in the post since 2010. Prior to this, he has served in senior positions both at the Permanent Representation of the Netherlands to the European Union (Justice section) and the Ministry of Justice (International Affairs section). He received his Masters of Laws from Leiden University. He is the current president of the Council's Strategic Committee on Immigration, Frontiers and Asylum (SCIFA).



Delilah Al Khudhairy

Director, Policy Support Coordination, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Delilah H.A. Al Khudhairy is Director of the Policy Support Coordination Directorate in the Joint Research Centre of the European Commission. Delilah Al Khudhairy, born in 1962, graduated with a first class honours B.Sc (Eng.) and Ph.D degrees in Materials Science Engineering from London University. She was employed at British Gas, UK, before joining in 1990 the European Commission's in-house science service, the Joint Research Centre (JRC). Her research areas and experience have covered x-ray and electron scattering, x-ray diffraction, numerical modelling, remote sensing and disaster risk management.

From 2004 until October 2015, she was head of the 'Global Security and Crisis Management' Unit at the JRC. On 1 November 2015, Delilah Al Khudhairy was appointed as the Director of the JRC's Policy Support Coordination Directorate. The mission of her Directorate is to strengthen the JRC's impact on EU policy and enhance the reputation of the JRC with customers and stakeholders. She is currently co-chair of the JRC's Task Force on Migration and Demography.

Alessandra Zampieri



Head of Unit Maritime Affairs, Directorate-General Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Alessandra Zampieri is the Head of Unit responsible for Maritime Affairs at the European Commission's Joint Research Centre. She joined the JRC after spending several years in Brussels formulating policies related to maritime safety and security, first in the competent Commission services and then in the Cabinet of Vice President De Palacio. Now at the JRC, she is tasked with contributing to a safe, secure, resource-efficient and competitive Europe by developing scientific and technological methodologies for EU policies related to the sea. She is currently co-chair of the JRC's Task Force on Migration and Demography. As from the 1st of July, Ms Zampieri will lead the newly established Migration, Demography and Governance Unit at the European Commission's Joint Research Centre. Her Unit will be responsible for carrying out the daily activities of the Knowledge Centre for Migration and Demography (KCMD).

Demetrios G. Papademetriou



President of the Migration Policy Institute (MPI) Europe, President Emeritus of MPI

Demetrios G. Papademetriou is President Emeritus of the Migration Policy Institute (MPI), a Washington-based think tank dedicated exclusively to the study of international migration. He is also President of Migration Policy Institute Europe, a non-profit, independent research institute in Brussels that aims to promote a better understanding of migration trends and effects within Europe, and serves on MPI Europe's Administrative Council. He is a Member of the MPI Board of Trustees and convener of the Transatlantic Council on Migration. He has published more than 270 books, articles, monographs, and research reports on a wide array of migration topics. Dr. Papademetriou holds a PhD in comparative public policy and international relations (1976) from the University of Maryland.



James Morrison

Director, Policy Co-ordination II, Secretariat General, European Commission

James Morrison has been Director of the Policy Coordination Directorate in the Secretariat-General of the European Commission since November 2014. Prior to this, from November 2009, James was the Chief of Staff of the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/ First Vice President of the European Commission during the establishment of the European External Action Service. Before joining the European Commission James was a British diplomat for over 20 years specialising in EU business. He was Senior Policy Advisor to the Minister for Europe in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and to the Leader of the House of Lords from 2007-2008 on the UK ratification of the Lisbon Treaty. From 2006-2007, he worked for Ashridge Business School, UK as a Programme Manager and Strategy Tutor. He served twice at the UK Representation to the EU (1994-1999 and 2004-2006) covering two UK Presidencies of the Council (1997 and 2005). James Morrison has occupied a number of other posts in the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. He was FCO spokesman on EU issues from 1999-2000, Private Secretary to the Minister for Europe (2000-2002), European Correspondent and Head of the CFSP Department (2003-2004). James Morrison holds a Masters degree in Business Administration. He was appointed Companion of the Order of St Michael and St George (CMG) in the 2014 New Year's Honours.



Monique Pariat

Director-General, Directorate-General Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection, European Commission

Monique Pariat is Director-General in DG Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection as from 1st September 2015.

Prior to this post, she was Deputy Director-General in DG Agriculture and Rural Development. She was responsible for EU international and trade relations in the area of agriculture and rural development, and for further developing EU agricultural quality policies. She was also Director for the Mediterranean and the Black Sea in DG Fisheries and Maritime Policy, Director for General Affairs in DG Justice, Freedom and Security and Director for Resources in DG Agriculture and Rural Development. She has been an official at the European Commission since 1987. She graduated from the Institute of Political Studies of Strasbourg and holds a degree from the College of Europe in Bruges.



Pavel Kabat

Director-General, International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

Pavel Kabat is Director General and Chief Executive Officer of the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA). He is also Full Professor of Earth System Science at Wageningen University in the Netherlands, Founding Chair and Director of the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences and Arts Institute for Integrated Research on the Wadden Sea Region (Wadden Academy), a Member of the Leadership Council for the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network, and Co-Founder of the High Level Alpbach – Laxenburg Group, in which global leaders from academia, governments, businesses and civil society come together to support and advocate for sustainable transitions and sustainable development.

Trained as a mathematician and hydrologist, Professor Kabat's almost 30 year research career has covered earth system science and global change, with a specific focus on land-atmosphere interactions, climate hydrology, water cycle and water resources.

Olivier Onidi



Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General Migration and Home Affairs, European Commission

Olivier Onidi was appointed to the position of Deputy Director-General Migration and Asylum - with the specific task to coordinate the Commission-wide work related to the Central Mediterranean Route - in its department for Migration and Home Affairs (DG HOME) as of 1 June 2016. Mr Onidi, a French national, started his career in the European Commission in 1993. During his career he held a number of challenging assignments and gathered wide-ranging experience across the Commission, including as policy assistant to former Secretary-General Carlo Trojan and as Deputy Head of Cabinet for Commissioner Günther Oettinger during the previous mandate. He was Director in the Commission's department for Mobility and Transport (DG MOVE) since June 2012 till his appointment.

Klaus Rudischhauser



Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General International Cooperation and Development, European Commission

Klaus Rudischhauser has worked in the Commission for more than 25 years and has worked in many senior positions. From March 2007 to May 2011, he was Director at the Directorate-General Development and Relations with ACP Countries. From June 2011 to July 2012, he was in charge of Directorate B Quality and Impact of Aid at DG Development and Cooperation – EuropeAid. Since 2012, Mr Rudischhauser is Deputy Director General at DG International Cooperation and Development. He oversees directorates for Development Policy and International Cooperation; Human Development and Migration; Sustainable Growth and Development; and Development Coordination for Africa.



Eugenio Ambrosi

Regional Director for the European Economic Area, International Organisation for Migration

Eugenio Ambrosi is the Regional Director of IOM's Regional Office for the EU, Norway and Switzerland. Prior to this, he was the Senior Regional Adviser for Europe and Central Asia in the Office of the Director General at IOM's Headquarters in Geneva. Mr. Ambrosi came to IOM in 1991 where he has since held senior positions including Director for the Regional Office in Buenos Aires and Director of the Dakar Regional Office. He has extensive experience and knowledge of European issues and IOM policies, programmes and operations, in addition to several years of executive experience with IOM's Regional Bureau for Africa and the Middle East. Mr. Ambrosi is a Master in Law and holds a Post Graduate degree in International Law and Multilateral Diplomacy.



Mariana Kotzeva

Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General Eurostat, European Commission

Mariana Kotzeva is currently Deputy Director-General at Eurostat, Statistical office of the European Union. She holds a doctoral degree in Statistics and Econometrics from the University of National and World Economy in Sofia and an executive education at the Harvard Kennedy School. Mrs Kotzeva joined Eurostat in 2012 as an Advisor Hors Class to the Director-General. In 2014 she combined that position with the role of Director of Methodology, IT and Dissemination. Before taking up duties in Eurostat she was President of the Bulgarian National Statistical Institute. Prior to that Mrs Kotzeva worked on a number of World Bank and UNDP projects in the areas of poverty mapping, evaluation of active labour market policies and Roma integration. She has also led teams and provided advisory services for the development of strategic policy documents such as National Employment Strategies in Bulgaria and Serbia and Annual Reports of the President of the Republic of Bulgaria.



Wolfgang Lutz

Program Director World Population

Wolfgang Lutz is Founding Director of the Wittgenstein Centre for Demography and Global Human Capital (a relatively new collaboration between IIASA, the Austrian Academy of Sciences and the WU-Vienna University of Economics and Business). He joined IIASA in October 1985, where he is Program Director of the World Population (POP) Program. Since 2002 he is also director of the Vienna Institute of Demography (VID) of the Austrian Academy of Sciences and since 2008, Full Professor of Applied Statistics (part time) at the WU. He is also Professorial Research Fellow at the Oxford Martin School for 21st Century Studies.



Anne Goujon

Research Scholar World Population

Anne Goujon is a demographer. She first joined IIASA's World Population (POP) Program in January 1994 and is currently a Research Scholar.

Dr. Goujon received her PhD in social and economic science from the University of Vienna in 2003 and her master's degree in development economics from the University "La Sorbonne" in Paris in 1990. From 1991 to 1994, she occupied several positions within the development community (UNESCO-Paris, UNICEF-New York, ECDPM-Maastricht, NGO "EquiLibre" - Iraq). Since 2002, she has also been a researcher at the Vienna Institute of Demography (Austrian Academy of Sciences) where she leads the Human Capital Data Lab.

Notes



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