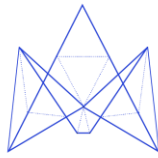


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Abigail Hing Wen



*Counsel for Office of the
Artificial Intelligence & Chief
Technology Officer, Intel
Corporation*

Born 1977 in the United States, Abigail Hing Wen earned her BA in Government and International Relations at Harvard University and her JD from Columbia Law School. Abigail is Intel Corporation's Managing Counsel for the Office of the Artificial Intelligence Chief Technology Officer. She serves as a strategic, legal and policy adviser for AI research, focusing on emerging AI technologies, the greater ecosystem and policy leadership. She also partners closely with Silicon Valley investors as legal lead for Intel Capital's AI investments and strategic transactions and has worked with more than a hundred startups from incorporation to IPO or acquisition. Exemplary transactions include Intel's \$4.1B investment in ASML and \$740M in Cloudera.

Abigail serves as board observer for Two Bit Circus, a virtual reality entertainment company based in Los Angeles, California.

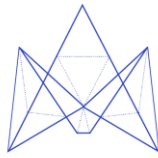
Prior to joining Intel in 2012, Abigail advised clients on Wall Street and in Washington DC with the corporate group of Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, clerked for the Honorable Judge Judith W. Rogers on the United States Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit and worked on tech and innovation policy for the Senate Judiciary Committee, Subcommittee on Antitrust, Business Rights and Competition. She speaks on AI and venture capital investing at national conferences and has published on AI in Fortune Magazine. Her debut novel is forthcoming summer 2020.

Andrzej Jan Ryś



Director, DG Santé

Andrzej Ryś is Health Systems and Products Director, Health and Consumers DG, European Commission. He is a qualified medical doctor specialised in radiology and public health; graduated from Jagiellonian University, Krakow (PL). In 1991, Mr Ryś established the School of Public Health at the Jagiellonian University. He was the School of Public Health's director until 1997. Between 1997 and 1999, he was director of Krakow's city health department. From 1999 until 2002, Mr Ryś served as the Polish deputy Minister of Health. He was a member of the Polish accession negotiators team. In 2003, Mr Ryś established and ran as a director, the Center for Innovation and Technology Transfer at Jagiellonian University. In 2006 he joined the European Commission as the Director for Public Health and Risk Assessment in the Directorate-General for Health and Consumers in Luxembourg, and in 2011 was appointed to his current position as director for Health Systems and Products in the Directorate-General for Health and Consumers in Brussels.



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Carlos Zorrinho



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Zorrinho graduated in Business Management at the University of Évora, which later awarded him a Doctorate Degree in Information Management. He pursued his academic career as a professor at the University of Évora, becoming Full Professor of its Department of Business Administration.

Member of the National Council of the Socialist Party since 1990, he was elected for the first time for the National Parliament in 1995, by the electoral circle of Évora. He was a member of Parliament until 2000, becoming Vice-President of the Socialist Party's Parliamentary Group in 1999.

In 2002, Carlos Zorrinho resumed his academic career at the University of Évora. After the Socialist Party won the 2005 general elections, he was appointed National Coordinator of the Lisbon Strategy and the Technological Plan, reporting directly to the Prime Minister of the XVI Constitutional Government (2005/2009). Under that capacity, he led the development of the Portuguese Digital Agenda, known as "Plano Tecnológico", which aimed at improving the country's competitiveness through technology, innovation and knowledge.

From 2009 to 2011, he served as Secretary of State for Energy and Innovation, within the Ministry of Economy, Innovation and Development of the XVII Constitutional Government. Returning to the Parliament in 2011, Carlos Zorrinho was elected Leader of the Socialist Party's Parliamentary Group from September 2011 to 2013.

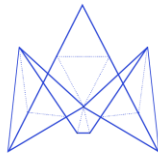
Since June 2014 Carlos Zorrinho became Member of the European Parliament and Head of the Portuguese Delegation of the Socialists & Democrats at the European parliament.

Carsten Bermig



*Expert at Cabinet of
Commissioner Bieńkowska*

Carsten Bermig is Advisor to European Commissioner Elżbieta Bieńkowska, responsible for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs. Since February 2014 he was Member of Cabinet of the European Commissioner for Climate Action Connie Hedegaard. Between 2010 and 2014, he worked as policy coordinator for economic and financial affairs in the Secretariat-General of the European Commission. He joined the European Commission in 2000 and has since worked in several departments of the Directorate-General for Competition and two years in the Enterprise and Industry Directorate-General. Prior to joining the European Commission, he was a researcher in the Cologne Center for Public Finance. He holds a master's degree in economics of the University of Cologne and in European Studies from the College of Europe.



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Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl



*Director General,
DIGITALEUROPE*

Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl is Director General of DIGITALEUROPE, the leading digital technology industry association representing over 35.000 digital companies Europe. She is a Member of the European Commission's High Level Expert Group on Artificial Intelligence, a Board Member of the European Commission's Digital Skills and Jobs Coalition, and a Board Member of the European Parliament-led European Internet Forum.

Formerly, Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl has been Executive Board Member of the Royal Danish Export Ministry and Chairman of the Export Grant Committee. She also served as Executive Board member in DIGITALEUROPE, and as a Member of the association's high level Digital Advisory Council. Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl has served as Board Member of the Danish Chamber of Commerce and Chairman of the Board of the Danish ICT association (ITB) where she has led the development of policy positions on issues such as: Business Digitalisation, ICT security, disruptive business models, telecoms and education.

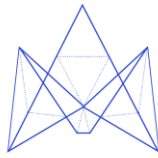
Cecilia Bonefeld-Dahl has more than 20 years of experience in the ICT industry. She previously held international positions at IBM and Oracle as well as with SMEs, building business across Europe and China and founding the cloud provider GlobeIT. She has deep insights into the digitalisation of business and society, and the data-driven economy, and is regularly invited to deliver keynote speeches on these issues at high-level events across the world.

Ceri Thompson



*Deputy Head of Unit,
DG CNECT eHealth*

Dr Ceri Thompson is head of the policy sector in DG CNECT's eHealth, Wellbeing and Ageing unit. Within the European Commission, Ceri has previously worked for DG SANTE and Eurostat. She has experience across a range of EU health policy areas, including nutrition & physical activity, alcohol and drugs, tobacco, pharmaceutical policy and health inequalities. Prior to joining the Commission she worked on Global Health for DFID, and for KPMG's international healthcare practice, conducting strategic and efficiency reviews of health systems in the CARICOM and EECCA regions, and of various London hospitals. Ceri graduated with a degree in Mathematics from Durham University in 1992, and she holds an MSc and a Doctorate in Public Health both from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.



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Christel Heydemann



*President, Schneider Electric
France*

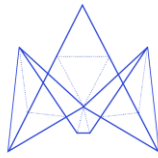
Christel Heydemann has been Independent Director at Orange SA since July 26, 2017. She has been Executive Vice President of France Operations at Schneider Electric S.E. since August 03, 2017. Ms. Heydemann is Chairwoman and Chief Executive Officer of Schneider Electric France since April 2017. She served as Senior Vice President of Global Strategic Alliances at Schneider Electric since joining in 2014, where she was tasked with accelerating the launch of IoT solutions by developing a partnership ecosystem. She served as Senior Vice President of Corporate Strategy, Alliances & Development at Orange S.A. since 2016. She served as an Executive Vice President of Human Resources and Transformation at Alcatel-Lucent since August 22, 2011 and served as its Strategic Alliance Vice President for HP since June 2009. She was responsible for leading, developing and enhancing Alcatel-Lucent's strategic relationship with HP. Her focuses on the go-to-market activities, the development of end-to-end solutions combining Alcatel-Lucent and HP portfolios and the alignment of Alcatel-Lucent products and services with HP products and services. She is a Director of Association AX and France Industrie. She was a Director of Fondation des Ponts et Chaussées. Ms. Heydemann is a graduate of Ecole Polytechnique and the Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées.

Danny Gooris



*Senior Manager, Oracle
Academy EMA, Oracle*

Danny joined Oracle in January 2013 with more than 15 years of experience managing vendor-led technology education programs. He was formerly the EMEA program leader at Learning@Cisco. He has worked with Ministries of Education around the world from Russia to Africa. Danny's global experience contributes to his passion for ensuring that young people develop the skills to become the leaders and entrepreneurs of the future. Danny looks after the Oracle Academy EMEA, as Senior Manager, is responsible for strategic initiatives & private-public partnerships, works closely with the European Union Grand Coalition, and is board member of the European e-Skills Association, and is involved the ICT Foundation Body of Knowledge.



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Dieter Wegener



Vice President, Siemens AG

After graduation in Aeronautical and Aerospace Technology Dieter Wegener worked as scientist at „Deutsches Zentrum für Luft- und Raumfahrt (DLR)“. After four years as consultant for McKinsey he joined Siemens in 1996 as Head of Gasturbine Engineering at “Power Generation”.

During his career within Siemens he had different responsibilities: personal Assistant for an Executive Board Member, Chief Technology Officer (CTO) for Division “Industry Solutions” and Vice President “Advanced Technologies & Standards (ATS)” for Industry Sector.

Today he is Head of External Cooperation at Siemens Corporate Technology. Additionally he is Speaker of „Führungskreis Industrie 4.0“ for ZVEI and Speaker of „Beraterkreis Technologie“ for VDE/DKE.

Elena Bonfiglioli



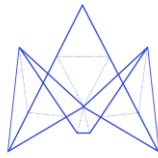
Managing Director, Health & Life Sciences, EMEA, Microsoft

As lead for Health and Life Sciences, Elena is responsible to drive strategy, advance the digital transformation agenda with health and pharma customers, and represent Microsoft’s industry position, working together with a community of over 250+ professionals across the EMEA region.

Over the last ten years, Elena has been a proactive contributor in the areas of healthcare policy, health-tech innovation, and multi-stakeholder partnerships. In July 2017, Elena was elected to the HIMSS Europe Governing Council. Elena spearheaded key initiatives on Health 4.0 and health digital transformation. Mobilizing a core group of industry stakeholders, Elena started the European Cloud in Health Advisory Council, a vendor-neutral C-level forum aimed to foster cloud-first innovation in the health sector.

In 2013, working with a group of leading e-Health partners, Elena led two industry-wide go to market and advocacy positions on innovative health services; the Manifesto for a Healthier Europe and Healthier Cities.

From 2007-2012, Elena held the role of Senior Director Health and Education Policy in Europe, when she led the creation of the Employability Alliance aimed to empower 20 Mil people with Skills for New Jobs.



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Harold Gruber



*Head of the Digital Economy
division, Projects Directorate,
European Investment Bank*

Harald Gruber is head of the Digital Economy division at the Projects Directorate of the European Investment Bank based in Luxembourg. He oversees project appraisal in the Digital Economy sectors and advises on the Bank's business strategy with respect to financing of broadband infrastructure and innovation policy.

He is member of the IPCEI Steering Committee on High Performance Computing and Big Data. He is on the editorial board of academic journals such as Telecommunications Policy, Information Economics and Policy, Journal of Industrial and Business Economics. He has published the book "The Economics of Mobile Telecommunications" with Cambridge University Press and published more than 20 articles refereed journals such as Economic Policy, European Economic Review, Telecommunications Policy, Information Economics and Policy and International Journal of Industrial Organisation.

He has been also professor at Bocconi University (Milan) for telecommunications economics. Harald Gruber holds a Ph.D. in Economics from the London School of Economics.

Janne Viskari



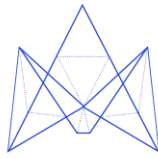
*Director General, Finnish
Population Register Centre*

Janne Viskari is working as director general at the Population Register Centre of Finland. The Register Centre is responsible for the digitalization of the public administration in Finland. It integrated the public services into its online platform and secured them via e-identification.

In the previous three years, Viskari already was a member of the agency's management board. Furthermore, as director he was responsible for the development of the digital services for citizens and the public administration, and as head of the Service Architecture unit he lead the implementation of the National Architecture for Digital Services programme.

In 2018 the British Apolitical online service included Viskari in its list of the 100 most influential people in digital government.

Janne Viskari holds an M.Sc. in Telecommunications Management of Helsinki University of Technology. Before working in the public administration, he held senior position roles at Finnish customs and in the private sector.



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Khalil Rouhana



*Deputy Director General,
DG CONNECT*

Khalil Rouhana is the Deputy Director-General in DG CONNECT (Communications Networks, Content & Technology) since 1/12/2016. His responsibilities include the policies for digital economy and society and notably for research, innovation and industrial strategies, digital solution for societal challenges and governments as well as cybersecurity. Before that he was Director for "Digital Industry" in DG CONNECT supporting the competitiveness of core digital sectors in Europe and the digitisation of all industrial sectors of the economy.

In his previous experiences in the Commission, he was the Director for "Digital content & Cognitive systems", the Head of Unit in charge of ICT research and innovation strategy, and started as a project officer in the ESPRIT programme in the areas of High Performance Computing and Future and Emerging technologies.

Before joining the Commission in 1992, he was for 5 years the director of an institute and school of engineering (Grande Ecole) in France. He started his career as research and development engineer for the aeronautics industry, worked for the French University in Beirut and created also his own engineering company. He has a master degree in electrical and electronic engineering from "Ecole Supérieure d'Electricité" (Supelec, France).

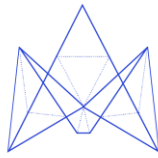
Laurence Tubiana



*CEO, European Climate
Foundation*

Laurence Tubiana is CEO of the European Climate Foundation (ECF). In addition, she is the Chair of the Board of Governors at the French Development Agency (AFD), and a Professor at Sciences Po, Paris. Before joining the ECF, Laurence was France's Climate Change Ambassador and Special Representative for COP21, and as such a key architect of the landmark Paris Agreement. Following COP21, she was appointed High Level Champion for Climate Action by the UN.

Laurence started her career as a Research Director for the French National Institute for Agricultural Research (INRA). From 1997 to 2002, she served as Senior Adviser on the Environment to the French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin. From 2009 to 2010, she created and then led the newly established Directorate for Global Public Goods at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MAE). In 2013, she chaired the French National Debate on the Energy Transition. In 2018, President Macron appointed her to France's High Council on Climate Change.



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Lie Junius



Director, Google EU

Lie Junius joined Google in November 2015 when she was appointed the new Director of Public Policy and Government Relations in Brussels. She has more than twenty years of European and international public affairs experience. Before Google, Lie led Government Affairs in EMEA for Goodyear Dunlop from 2008, and also managed Corporate Communications. Previously, Lie was Senior Vice President of Government Relations for ABN Amro Bank and worked in the Government Affairs Team of General Motors Europe. Lie holds a Master's Degree in Political Sciences from the Catholic University of Leuven and a Master's Degree in Advanced European Studies from the College of Europe in Bruges.

Lord Ashton of Hyde



*Parliamentary Under
Secretary of State in charge of
Digital, United Kingdom*

Lord Ashton of Hyde was appointed Parliamentary Under Secretary of State at the Department for Culture, Media and Sport in July 2016. He was previously appointed a Lord in Waiting (Whip) in the House of Lords in July 2014. Lord Ashton was elected to the Lords as a hereditary Peer in 2011 and before joining the government was a member of the House of Lords Select Committee on the Arctic.

He served in the Royal Hussars and the Royal Wessex Yeomanry. Prior to joining the government Lord Ashton was Chief Executive Officer of Faraday Underwriting Ltd and sat on the Council of Lloyd's. He was a member of the Royal College of Defence Studies' 2013/14 course.

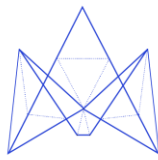
He was educated at Eton College and Trinity College, Oxford.

Loubna Bouarfa



*CEO & Founder,
OKRA Technologies*

Loubna Bouarfa has founded OKRA Technologies, a company which uses its machine learning platform to improve healthcare outcomes. The OKRA AI engine is used by some of the world's biggest pharmaceutical companies to transform complex datasets into evidence-based predictions, in real time. It was designed to equip Healthcare and Life Sciences professionals with the foresight to improve patient outcomes in the real-world environment. Loubna has won several awards and was recognised as a leading innovator by the MIT Technology Review in 2017. Beyond her business, Loubna has recently been appointed by the European Commission as a High-Level Expert on Artificial Intelligence. She will support the EU by developing recommendations on ethical, legal and societal issues related to AI, impacting the health, safety and freedom of the wider society.



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Lousewies van der Laan



*Digital Ambassador,
Nederland ICT*

Lousewies is a Dutch politician and was the leader of the parliamentary group of the social liberal Democrats 66 (D66) in the House of Representatives for six months in 2006. She was a Member of the European Parliament between 1999 and 2003 in the ELDR group. She focused primarily on foreign affairs, higher education, student finance, justice, police, ICT policy, technology, Justice and Home affairs, European affairs and LGBT policy.

In 2007, Lousewies van der Laan founded a consultancy firm in the field of international political processes: LW International. On behalf of LW International, Lousewies is involved in the coordination of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction of the United Nations.

She recently joined Nederland ICT as a Digital Ambassador.

Luminița Teodora Odobescu



*Ambassador, Permanent
Representation of Romania to
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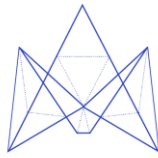
A career diplomat, Luminița -Teodora Odobescu was appointed Secretary of State on 24 February 2012.

Between June 2008 and February 2012 she was Director General of the European Union Department within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, coordinating the EU affairs and the bilateral political dialogue with the EU Member States, the acceding states to the EU (including Turkey), as well as the EFTA countries.

Between 2002 and 2007 she held various positions in the Permanent Representation of Romania to the European Union in Brussels, being responsible for several chapters of negotiation in the context of Romania's accession to the EU (energy, economic and monetary union, taxation, trade). Moreover, she was in charge with the trade relations and trade defence measures between Romania and the EU.

Following the signing of Romania's Accession Treaty to the EU, Luminița Odobescu took responsibility for coordinating and preparing the meetings of EU's Committee of Deputy Permanent Representatives (COREPER I), while also participating to several working groups of the EU Council and the European Commission.

Luminița Odobescu holds a PhD in International Economic Relations at the Academy of Economic Studies in Bucharest. In April 2007 she was conferred the "Order of Diplomatic Merit in the rank of Officer" for her contribution to the process of Romania's accession to the European Union.



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Mariya Gabriel



*European Commissioner for
Digital Economy and Society*

Bulgarian-born Mariya Gabriel is the current European Commissioner for Digital Economy and Society.

She was the Vice-President of the EPP Group in the European Parliament from 2014-2017.

Mariya Gabriel was a Member of the European Parliament, EPP/GERB (Citizens for European Development of Bulgaria) from 2009-2017. Since 2012, Mariya Gabriel has served as Vice-President of EPP Women. Prior to this she was Parliamentary Secretary to MEPs from the GERB political party within the EPP Group in 2008-2009.

She is part of project teams, such as Digital Single Market, Energy Union, Better Regulation and Interinstitutional Affairs, Budget and Human Resources, and Jobs, Growth, Investment and Competitiveness.

As a member of the project teams, her responsibilities include launching ambitious proposals for the completion of a connected Digital Single Market, supporting the development of creative industries and of a successful European media and content industry, as well as other activities turning digital research into innovation success stories.

Markus Borchert

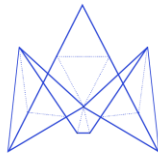


*CEO of Nokia Shanghai Bell
and President of Nokia
Greater China*

As CEO of Nokia Shanghai Bell and President of Nokia, Greater China, Markus is responsible for the company's business in the Greater China region. This is Markus' second stint in China for Nokia: between 2010 and 2015, he served as President of Nokia Greater China, during which time he helped to establish Nokia as the leading non-Chinese supplier in the region.

Markus was previously Senior Vice President, Customer Operations Europe at Nokia. In this role he led all Nokia operations in the region, including sales, marketing, business management, operations and delivery. From 2016, Markus has also serves as President of DIGITAL-EUROPE, Europe's largest industry association for the digital sector.

Markus holds a Master's degree in Electrical Engineering from the Technical University of Munich, Germany, and an MBA from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA. In 2014, he received the China Friendship Award, the highest honor for foreign nationals working in China.



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Martin Selmayr



*Secretary-General,
European Commission*

Martin Selmayr is the Secretary-General of the European Commission. Previously, he was Chief of Staff to the President of the European Commission, Jean-Claude Juncker. Martin studied law at the Universities of Geneva and Passau, at King's College London and at the University of California (Berkeley/Davis). He holds a doctorate in law, having completed his thesis on "The Law of Economic and Monetary Union". He is the author of more than 70 law journal articles, book contributions and three books on EU legal issues, including most recently a leading commentary on the General Data Protection Regulation (Munich 2017) as co-author. Martin Selmayr is lecturing European Union Law at the Universities of Passau, Saarbrücken and at the Danube University in Krems (Austria). Martin is fluent in English, French and German (mother tongue) and also knows some Spanish, Italian, Russian and Polish.

Moritz Helmstaedter



*Managing Director, Max
Planck Institute for Brain
Research*

Born 1978 in Berlin, Germany. 1998 onwards studies of medicine and physics at Ruprecht-Karls-University Heidelberg, Germany (Medical license and Diploma in physics). Brief interlude as strategy consultant with McKinsey. Doctoral thesis with Bert Sakmann and Post-Doc with Winfried Denk at the Max Planck Institute for Medical Research in Heidelberg. 2011-2014 Research Group leader and Principal Investigator at the Max Planck Institute of Neurobiology, Munich. Since August 2014 Scientific Member of the Max Planck Society and Director at the Max Planck Institute for Brain Research, Frankfurt, Germany.

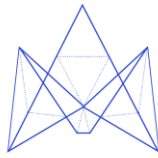
Olaf Koch



CEO, Metro AG

Olaf Koch has been Chairman of the Management Board of METRO AG since 2 March 2017 and has been appointed until 1 March 2022.

From 1 January 2012 to 12 July 2017, Mr Koch was Chief Executive Officer and from 14 September 2009 until the end of 2011, member of the Management Board (CFO) of the former METRO AG (now CECONOMY AG). He previously worked for the financial investor Permira. His career began in 1994 with a degree in business administration at Daimler-Benz AG. Between 2002 and 2007 he was a member of the executive board of the Mercedes Car Group



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Philip Smith



COO Xynteo & EVP 'Europe Delivers' Programme

Philip leads Europe Delivers, a platform with a mission to mobilise European leaders to drive a new kind of economic growth which secures the wellbeing of European citizens today – and for generations to come.

Within Xynteo, he is also in charge of client relationships, project delivery and operations, with a key focus on the development, deployment and renewal of Xynteo's corporate and growth strategies.

Prior to joining Xynteo in 2014, Philip served in the British Army in various operational theatres, moving to IBM in 2001 to lead global consulting and technology client relationships in the automotive and consumer packaged goods sectors. Entering the sustainability advisory space in 2009, Philip led European business development for the AEA Group and, latterly, Ricardo-AEA, an international, multi-disciplinary environmental consultancy serving clients in the public and private sectors.

Stefaan Vergote



Head of Unit, DG CLIMA

Prior to becoming Head of Unit for Strategy and Economic Assessment, Stefaan Vergote was an advisor at DG CLIMA since April 2017. Previously, he was the Head of Economic Analysis and Financial Instruments Unit at DG ENER since March 2014.

From 2010 to 2014, he was Head of Unit A4 in DG CLIMA, responsible for the development of strategic options for the EU's international and domestic climate action. His team was in charge of the 2050 Low Carbon Roadmap, and the 2030 framework for climate and energy policies.

Previously, as Deputy Head of Unit on 'Energy and Environment' in DG Environment, he led a team coordinating the preparation and economic analysis of the 2020 Energy and Climate Package, which implemented the EU's independent commitment to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 20% by 2020, including the review of the EU Emission Trading System, The Effort Sharing Decision and Directive on Renewable Energy.

Mr. Vergote has a diploma of civil electrotechnical-mechanical engineer at the Catholic University of Leuven (KULeuven) and holds a Postgraduate Degree in Environmental Management and Technology (KULeuven).