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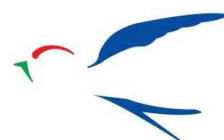
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Constanze worked in the European Commission on demographic change and sustainable development and in the European Parliament and was director of EUFED, a Brussels-based European NGO, focusing on sustainable tourism. In this position, Constanze contributed to various experts groups on sustainable and responsible tourism at the European Commission, UNEP and UNWTO.

Since 2012, Constanze is Director of Green Budget Europe's Brussels office and responsible for GBE's advocacy work on environmental fiscal reform within the European institutions, EU Governments, international organisations, business, the research community and civil society. She has published in the field of environmental fiscal reform, European affairs and sustainable tourism.

Constanze is co-founder of a European Think Tank on sustainable development and is also guest lecturer at several Universities on European Affairs.

Trained as a banker and graduated from Passau University, Constanze studied Economics, Law and Cultural Studies in Odense (Denmark) and Strasbourg and holds a PhD in informal decision-making processes in the European institutions.

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Christopher Boyd works on the European Semester, bringing environmental issues into macroeconomic policy, at the European Commission, DG Environment in Brussels. He has long and varied experience in environment and sustainability issues, both in the private sector in large as well as small companies operating in various European countries and as an official at the European Commission.

Until 2010 he spent over two years in charge of negotiating and setting up a wind energy joint venture in Italy for Airtricity, the Irish renewable energy business, now part of Scottish and Southern Energy. Before that he was CEO of Lafarge's cement business in Italy for four years until 2007. Lafarge is the world's largest building materials company.

Previously Chris was in Paris as Senior Vice-President Environment and Public Affairs at Lafarge from 1999 to 2003, in charge of environmental and sustainability issues, including their policy to reduce carbon emissions. While with Lafarge he set up a partnership with WWF that was their first with an industrial company.

In a previous stint at the European Commission from 1983 to 1998, Chris worked for three years in the cabinet of President Jacques Delors as his economic advisor. During this part of his career with the EU Commission, he covered a broad range of issues including the creation of the euro, transport, budget, tax and customs and, of course, environment.

Chris is an economist who studied in Britain and in Canada.

At 59 years old, Chris is married with two daughters. He is English and also speaks French, German and Italian. He is a keen golfer and hiker.

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Patrick ten Brink is a Senior Fellow at the Institute for European Environmental Policy. He is also the Head of the IEEP Brussels Office which he helped set up in 2000 and Head of the Environmental Economics Programme. Patrick leads IEEP's work on the green economy, fiscal reform and the values of nature.

He has extensive experience with market based instruments (for the European Commission, EEA, national governments), subsidy reform (for the European Commission, UK and Flemish governments), fiscal reform (for the Swiss and Dutch governments and the European Commission) environmental accounting (for the EEA and Nordic Council) and green public procurement (for the European Commission).

He has contributed to European Commission policy work and impact assessments in a range of areas including Access and Benefits Sharing (ABS), Invasive Alien Species (IAS), the IPPC directive and associated IED, cars and CO2 emissions (for DG ENV and ENTR), as well as work on green infrastructure and green public procurement.

Patrick is the co-editor of the 2014 book on "Paying the Polluter: Environmentally Harmful Subsidies and their Reform" (lead or co-author of four chapters) as well as the book on "Social and Economic Benefits of Protected Areas: An Assessment Guide". He was the coordinator of The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB) for National and International Policy work, editor of the 2011 book "The Economics of Ecosystems and Biodiversity (TEEB) in National and International Policy Making" and of the 2002 book "Voluntary environmental Agreements: Process, Practice and Future Use".

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Jacqueline has worked in the field of environmental economics for over ten years and works as a freelance environmental policy consultant for numerous international organisations, including GIZ, IISD, UNOSD and the World Bank. She co-developed for GIZ, and regularly runs, a capacity building training course on Environmental Fiscal Reform for poverty reduction in developing, transition and emerging economies. Her research interests include the political economy of EFR, policy communication, and behavioural psychology as a means to improve policy design and messaging.

Jacqueline has organised and contributed to numerous capacity building training courses, international conferences, symposia, seminars and workshops on the topic of Environmental Fiscal Reform and economic and fiscal instruments for environmental policy. She has published widely in the field of environmental economics and sustainability, including as lead author of Green Revenues for Green Energy (IISD and CNREC, 2013), and as co-editor of Critical Issues in Environmental Taxation, Vol VI (Oxford University Press, 2009).

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Besides its activities at the ETUC, he is Visiting Professor at the Saint-Louis University in Brussels where he is entrusted with a seminar dedicated to International climate policy.

Before joining the ETUC, he used to be expert for the Belgian Federal Ministry of the Environment (2009-2012) where he primarily worked on international climate finance. In that capacity, he has been active in various EU expert groups as well as in the UNFCCC process.

Holding a PhD in political science (Université Libre de Bruxelles-2006), he has more than ten years of experience in the field of climate change policy, mainly at European and International levels.

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After graduating from the University of Marburg and the University of Berlin, Hans Eichel started his political career as Mayor of Kassel. After that, he served as Prime Minister of Hesse and President of the German Bundesrat.

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Professor Samuel Fankhauser is Co-Director at the Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and Deputy Director of the ESRC-funded Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy, both at the London School of Economics. He is also a Director of economics consultancy Vivid Economics.

Sam serves on the Committee on Climate Change, an independent public body that advises the UK government on carbon targets, and the CCC's Adaptation Sub-Committee. Previously, he has worked at the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), the World Bank and the Global Environ-

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leading suppliers of interim services. In 2004, he became co-founder and president of the German Association of Interim Providers (www.aimp.de).

Since 1985, he has participated in the debate on market-based instruments for environmental policy, initially with several publications on eco-taxes. In 1994, he became co-founder and board member of the “Förderverein Ökologische Steuerreform”, which changed its name in 2008 to “Forum Ökologisch-Soziale Marktwirtschaft”, or Green Budget Germany. This non-profit organization specializes in all economic instruments, from eco-taxes and emission trading to subsidy reform, green purchasing, and Green Keynesianism, as well as debate about Green Growth. Today, Green Budget Germany promotes a broad vision of a greener and fairer eco-social market order.

In 2008, Green Budget Germany initiated Green Budget Europe as a European and international platform. Dr. Görres is president of GBE and speaks at many international conferences on Green Budget Reforms and Market Based Instruments.

In 2010, Anselm Görres initiated a joint venture between a number of green NGOs, to hold regular Academic days for an eco-social market economy at as many universities as possible within Austria, Germany and Switzerland (www.hochschultage.org)

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Michael Grubb is Professor of International Energy and Climate Change Policy at University College London (Institute of Sustainable Resources), editor-in-chief of the journal *Climate Policy*, and Senior Advisor on Sustainable Energy Policy to the UK Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (the Energy Regulator Ofgem). His former positions include Senior Research Associate at Cambridge University (Faculty of Economics, Department of Land Economy); Chair of the international research organization Climate Strategies; Chief Economist at the Carbon Trust; Professor of Climate Change and Energy Policy at Imperial College London; and head of Energy and Environment at Chatham House, and he continues to be associated with these institutions. Professor Grubb has also served on the UK Climate Change Committee, established under the UK Climate Change Act to advise the government on future carbon budgets and to report to Parliament on their implementation. In 2013 he was the Specialist Advisor to a House of Lords European Committee enquiry. ‘No Country is an Energy Island: securing investment for the EU's Future’ (2013).

Michael Grubb is author of eight books, fifty journal research articles and numerous other publications. He has held many advisory positions with governments, companies and international studies on climate change and energy policy, and has been a Lead Author for several reports of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change on mitigation, including the IPCC Fourth Assessment Report. His book *Planetary Economics*, which brings together the lessons from

	<p>25 years of research and implementation of energy and climate policies, was published in March 2014; it has received widespread accolade as a ‘seminal’ contribution, ‘comprehensive and profoundly important’ for its presentation of a new approach to both the theoretical underpinnings and the practical policies for tackling energy and climate change challenges.</p> <p>E-Mail: m.grubb@ucl.ac.uk</p>
	<p>Dirk Hinrich Heilmann</p> <p>Chief Economist of the Handelsblatt</p> <p>From January 2013 onwards, Mr. Heilmann has been Managing Partner at the Handelsblatt Research Institute and he has been Chief Economist of the Handelsblatt since 2009.</p> <p>Dirk Heilmann started his professional career as freelance Journalist for a variety of German media. He then became Reporter and Editor for the international news agency Reuters in Bonn in 1993 and specialized in Economic and Technology Policy, Media and Telecommunications. 1998, he changed to the Handelsblatt, where he subsequently worked as Deputy Editor and Editor of Companies and Markets, Head of the London Correspondent Office, Chief Economist and head of the macroeconomic team.</p> <p>Mr. Heilmann studied at the Cologne Journalist School and the University of Cologne and graduates as Dipl.-Volkswirt.</p> <p>He is married and has two kids.</p> <p>E-Mail: d.heilmann@vhb.de</p>
	<p>Dr. Barbara Helfferich</p> <p>Director of the European Anti-Poverty Network</p> <p>Barbara Helfferich has more than 20 years of experience in European policy making. She worked in the non-governmental sector as well as in the European Commission. As Secretary General of the European Women’s Lobby she successfully helped to establish one of the biggest and most influential European NGOs in Brussels. In 1992, the European Commission recruited her to become member of cabinet of the European Social Affairs Commissioner, a post which she held for five years until she was appointed European spokesperson for the environment. In 2013, she was appointed Director of the European Anti-Poverty Network.</p> <p>She holds a Ph.D. in political science from Columbia University as well as a Master’s degree in journalism and international communications.</p> <p>E-Mail: barbara.helfferich@eapn.org</p>



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Jens Frølich Holte was appointed Political Adviser to Norway's Climate and Environment Minister Tine Sundtoft on 16 October 2013, after having acted as political adviser to the Conservative Party's Parliamentary Group since 2011.

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Philippe Lamberts was born in 1963 in Brussels, Belgium. He studied Engineering in applied mathematics, at the Catholic University of Louvain.

From 1987 to 2009, he worked at IBM in a variety of positions, predominantly managing business with industrial and retail clients. He was elected in June 2009 for a first term in the European Parliament. His political career within the Belgian green party (Ecolo) started in 1991. He served 12 years as a local city councillor in Anderlecht and also as an adviser on foreign and defence policy to the Vice-Prime Minister Isabelle Durant during the first participation of the Greens in the Belgian federal government (1999-2003).

In 1999, he became a member of the Council of the European Federation of Green Parties as a representative of Ecolo. He was then elected to the executive Committee in 2003 before becoming co-chair of what meanwhile had become the European Green Party (EGP). His second mandate there will end in November 2012.

In the EGP, Philippe Lamberts has led the work on devising the Green New Deal as the response of the European Greens to the multi-faceted global crisis. In the European Parliament, Philippe focuses his work on the two committees he is member of. In the economic and monetary affairs committee (ECON) he predominantly deals with macro-economic, economic governance and banking issues. In the committee for industry, research and energy (ITRE) he acts primarily as the Greens' spokesperson on research and innovation issues and has a strong interest in industrial and SME policies. He is also member of the Parliament's delegation for the relations with China, a country which he sees as a crucial partner in meeting the global challenges of the 21st century.

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Ambassador Leikvoll started his career in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as Deputy General Director in Department for External Economic Affairs in 1992, after having held several positions in the Ministry of Trade, including the Coordinator for Multilateral Trade Negotiations from 1984-1988.

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Maria Teresa Monteduro is director at the Finance Department at the Ministry of Economy and Finance since September 2013.

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Graduated at Bocconi University in Milan, she obtained her D. Phil. in Econom-

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	<p>Yannis Palaiokrassas</p> <p>Economist; Former European Commissioner and Minister of Finance of Greece</p> <p>Yannis Palaiokrassas was born in Athens in 1934. He graduated from the London School of Economics and Political Science, with a B.Sc.(Econ.) and a M.Sc.(Econ) degrees.</p> <p>In 1959, he was appointed at the Ministry of Coordination in Athens, as Head of Section, Planning. In 1963 he joined Doxiadis Associates, consultants in development and economics, working in various countries ending as Head of their Detroit Office. Between 1968 and 1970 he was General Manager of Windward Shipping Ltd In London. He returned to Greece in 1970 to work in tourist and real estate development.</p> <p>In 1974 he went into banking, rising to Assistant Vice President of American Express International Banking Corporation in London and Athens. He was one of the founders of Ergobank S.A. Athens and its first General Manager in charge of credit and international banking.</p> <p>In 1977, he went into politics with the late Constantine Karamanlis, rising in 1980 to Minister of Coordination (National Economy). He was elected four times member of Parliament for the constituency of Cyclades. In 1990-92 he was Minister of Finance and was then chosen a Member of the European Commission for the Environment and Fisheries, under Jacques Delors.</p> <p>In the years 1995-2004, he was a visiting fellow at Brasenose College, Oxford, Chairman of AMBIO Ltd in London, SPECTRUM Investment Services S.A. Athens and IDRYMA TYPOU S.A. a publisher of an Athens daily paper.</p> <p>In 2004 he was elected once more a member of Parliament for Cyclades and was then appointed Chairman of the Board of Public Power Corporation, a post which he resigned in December 2005.</p> <p>He is currently Chairman of the Lilian Voudouris Foundation and member of the Board of ELLINIKI ETAIRIA (an environmental NGO), WIND (HELLAS) S.A, Investment Bank of Greece and a wise patron of Green Budget Europe.</p> <p>E-Mail: palaiok@windtools.gr</p>
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Thomas Sterner is an internationally renowned scholar whose work is focused around the design of policy instruments to deal with resource and environmental problems. He is professor of environmental economics at University of Gothenburg, Sweden, where he has built up the Unit for Environmental Economics. It is a leading Scandinavian and European center for environmental economics and gives a unique PhD program in climate economics with many graduate students from developing countries.

Sterner has published more than a dozen books and about one hundred articles in refereed journals, mainly on environmental policy instruments with applications to energy and climate, industry, transport economics and resource management in developing countries.

Sterner is the recipient of the Myrdal Prize, past president for the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists and Associate Editor of Environmental and Resource Economics. He is also a Fellow or researcher at Resources for the Future, The Beijer Institute and Statistics Norway. With Gunnar Köhlin, he has founded the Environment for Development Initiative and is a member of the research board of several developing country networks such as CEEPA (Africa) and SANDEE (in South Asia) and the Board of Academic advisors to the Center for Chinese Agricultural Policy, CCAP of the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

During 2012 and 2013 he served as Visiting Chief Economist of the Environmental Defense Fund in New York. He has recently been elected as a guest professor at the Collège de France for 2015-16.

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Jeremy Wates

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Jeremy Wates is the Secretary General of the European Environmental Bureau, Europe's largest federation of environmental organizations comprising about 140 member organizations from some 30 European countries with a combined membership of around fifteen million environmentally concerned citizens.

Prior to taking up his present post in May 2011, Jeremy served for more than a decade as Secretary to the Aarhus Convention with the Geneva-based United Nations Economic Commission for Europe. The Aarhus Convention is the world's most far-reaching international treaty on access to information, public participation in decision-making, and access to justice in environmental matters.

During the 1990s, Jeremy led the campaign by the European ECO Forum, an NGO coalition, to persuade governments to start work on a treaty on environmental democracy and then coordinated the input from civil society organizations into the official negotiations over the text of what was to become the Aarhus Convention.

In the 1980s, Jeremy founded the Irish environmental organization Earthwatch, the Irish member of Friends of the Earth International, and led the organization for more than a decade.

Jeremy holds an MA Honours Degree in Philosophy and Social & Political Sciences from Cambridge University, UK. His permanent home is in West Cork in the south-west of Ireland where in the '80s and '90s he combined his environmental activism with small-scale organic farming and where he and his wife brought up their four children in their early years.

In 2011, Jeremy was awarded the David Brower Lifetime Achievement Award.

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