



## LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

### Council Members

#### A

**Martti Ahtisaari (Finland)**

Emeritus Chair, ECFR; former President of Finland

**Yoeri Albrecht (The Netherlands)**

Director, De Balie

@YoeriAlbrecht

**Joaquín Almunia (Spain)**

Former Vice President of the European Commission and Commissioner for Competition

@AlmuniaJoaquin

**Luís Amado (Portugal)**

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Portugal

**Niels Annen (Germany)**

Member of the Bundestag

@NielsAnnen

#### B

**Thomas Bagger (Germany)**

Ambassador, Director-General for Foreign Affairs, Office of the Federal President of Germany

**Gordon Bajnai (Hungary)**

Former Prime Minister of Hungary

@Bajnai\_Gordon

**Kostas Bakoyannis (Greece)**

Governor of Central Greece

@KBakoyannis

**Lluís Bassets (Spain)**

Deputy Director, El País

@lbassets

**Juraj Bayer (Slovakia)**

CFO and Member of the Board, ZSE Energia

**Erik Berglöf (Sweden)**

Director, Institute of Global Affairs, London School of Economics

@ErikBerglof

**Carl Bildt (Sweden)**

Co-chair of the Board, ECFR; former Prime Minister of Sweden

@carlbildt

**Henryka Bochniarz (Poland)**

President, Polish Confederation of Private Employers – Lewiatan

@HBochniarz

**Emma Bonino (Italy)**

Co-chair of the Board, ECFR; former Minister of Foreign Affairs

@emmabonino

**Franziska Brantner (Germany)**

Member of the Bundestag

@fbrantner

**Maurice Braud (France)**

National Secretary for International Affairs, Migration and Co-Development, Parti Socialiste

@BraudMaurice

**Sandra Breka (Germany)**

Senior Vice President, Robert Bosch Stiftung

**Goran Buldioski (Hungary)**

Co-Director, Open Society Initiative for Europe

@gbuldioski

**Ditmir Bushati (Albania)**

Minister of Foreign Affairs

@ditmirbushati

#### C

**Gunilla Carlsson (Sweden)**

Former Minister for International Development Cooperation

@CarlssonSwe

**Daphne Caruana Galizia (Malta)**

Journalist

[@dcgblog](#)

**Maria Cattai (Switzerland)**

Former Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce

**Ian Clarkson (United Kingdom)**

Founder, Celerant Consulting

**Robert Cooper (United Kingdom)**

Diplomat; former Counsellor of the European External Action Service

**Brendan Cox (United Kingdom)**

Co-founder, More in Common

[@MrBrendanCox](#)

**Lucinda Creighton (Ireland)**

CEO, Vulcan Consulting; former Minister for European Affairs of Ireland

[@LCreighton](#)

**D****Daniel Daianu (Romania)**

Professor of Economics, National School of Political and Administrative Studies (SNSPA)

**Arnaud Danjean (France)**

Member of the European Parliament

[@ArnaudDanjean](#)

**Marta Dassù (Italy)**

Senior Director European Affairs, The Aspen Institute; Editor-in-Chief, Aspenia

[@martadassu](#)

**Caroline de Gruyter (The Netherlands)**

Correspondent, European Affairs, NRC Handelsblad

[@CarolineGruyter](#)

**Tibor Dessewffy (Hungary)**

President, DEMOS Hungary

**Muriel Domenach (France)**

General Secretary, Inter-Ministerial Committee for the Prevention of Delinquency and Radicalisation

[@MurielDomenach](#)

**Mikołaj Dowgielewicz (Poland)**

Director General and Permanent Representative, European Investment Bank

[@DowgielewiczM](#)

**Andrew Duff (United Kingdom)**

Former Member of the European Parliament

[@AndrewDuffEU](#)

**E****Hans Eichel (Germany)**

Former Minister of Finance

**Steven Everts (The Netherlands)**

Senior Advisor, European External Action Service

[@sbeverts](#)

**F****Ádám Ficsor (Hungary)**

CEO, DatAdat; former Minister of Hungary

**Lykke Friis (Denmark)**

Prorector, University of Copenhagen; former Minister for Climate, Energy and Gender Equality

[@lykkefriis](#)

**G****Teresa Gouveia (Portugal)**

Trustee to the Board, Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation; former Minister of Foreign Affairs

**Heather Grabbe (United Kingdom)**

Executive Director, Open Society Policy Institute

[@HeatherGrabbe](#)

**Alexander Graf Lambsdorff (Germany)**

Vice President, European Parliament

[@Lambsdorff](#)

**Dzhema Grozdanova (Bulgaria)**

Chair, Foreign Affairs Committee, National Assembly

**H****Connie Hedegaard (Denmark)**

Former European Commissioner for Climate Action

[@CoHedegaard](#)

**Steven Heinz (Austria/US)**

Co-Founder & Co-Chairman, Lansdowne Partners Ltd

**Annette Heuser (Germany)**

Executive Director, Professor Otto Beisheim Foundation

**Ina Heusgen (Germany)**

Deputy Head, Parliament and Cabinet division, Federal Foreign Office of Germany

**I****Anna Ibrisagic (Sweden)**

Senior Partner, ESL & Network

**Jaakko Iloniemi (Finland)**

Former Ambassador

@Jaakkolloniemi

**Wolfgang Ischinger (Germany)**

Ambassador Chairman, Munich Security Conference

@ischinger

**J****Diana Janse (Sweden)**

Senior Foreign Policy Advisor, Moderate Party

@sigriddiana

**K****Ayşe Kadioğlu (Turkey)**

President, Sabancı University

@AyseGKadioglu

**Ivailo Kalfin (Bulgaria)**

Former Deputy Prime Minister; former Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria

@IvailoKalfin

**Claude Kandyoti (Belgium)**

CEO, Krest Real Estate Investments

**Lea Kaspar (Croatia)**

Executive Director, Global Partners Digital

@leakaspar

**Sylvie Kauffmann (France)**

Editorial Director, Le Monde

@SylvieKauffmann

**Roderich Kiesewetter (Germany)**

Member of the Bundestag

@RKiesewetter

**Suat Kınıklıoğlu (Turkey)**

Senior Policy Fellow, Institute for Security & Development Policy

@kinikli88\_ENG

**Gerald Knaus (Austria)**

Chairman, European Stability Initiative

@rumeliobserver

**Bassma Kodmani (France/Syria)**

Executive Director, Arab Reform Initiative

@BassmaKodmani

**David Koranyi (Hungary)**

Director, Energy Diplomacy Initiative, The Atlantic Council

@DavidKoranyi

**Stefan Komelius (Germany)**

Foreign Editor, Süddeutsche Zeitung

**Andrey Kovatchev (Bulgaria)**

Member of the European Parliament

@andreykovatchev

**L****Remzi Lani (Albania)**

Director, Albanian Media Institute

**Martina Larkin (Switzerland)**

Head of Europe and Eurasia, Member of the Executive Committee, World Economic Forum

@martinagmur

**Mark Leonard (United Kingdom)**

Director, European Council on Foreign Relations

@markhleonard

**Daniel Levy (United Kingdom)**

President, US Middle East Project

**Sonia Licht (Serbia)**

President, Belgrade Fund for Political Excellence

**Javi López (Spain)**

Member of the European Parliament

@fjavilopez

## M

### **Monica Maggioni (Italy)**

President, RAI

### **Cristina Manzano (Spain)**

Editor-in-chief, Esglobal

@ManzanoCr

### **Marco Margheri (Italy)**

Senior Vice President Public Affairs, Edison

@marcomargheri

### **Katarína Mathernová (Slovakia)**

Deputy Director General, DG NEAR, European Commission

@kmathernova

### **Kirsty McNeill (United Kingdom)**

Director of Policy, Advocacy and Campaigns, Save the Children

@kirstyjmceill

### **Joseph Mifsud (Malta)**

Director, London Academy of Diplomacy

### **Hedvig Morvai (Serbia)**

Executive Director, European Fund for the Balkans

@jadviga

### **Nader Mousavizadeh (Denmark)**

Co-founder and Co-CEO, Macro Advisory Partners

@MousavizadehN

### **Nils Muižnieks (Latvia)**

Commissioner for Human Rights, Council of Europe

@CommissionerHR

## N

### **Matthias Nass (Germany)**

Chief International Correspondent, DIE ZEIT

### **Kalypso Nicolaidis (Greece/France)**

Professor of International Relations, University of Oxford

### **Dietmar Nietan (Germany)**

Member of the Bundestag

## O

### **Christine Ockrent (France)**

Commentator and writer; Presenter of 'Affaires Internationales', France Culture Radio

@Ockrent

### **Andrzej Olechowski (Poland)**

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs

### **Dick Oosting (The Netherlands)**

Former CEO, European Council on Foreign Relations

### **Anita Orban (Hungary)**

Vice President for International Affairs, Tellurian LNG UK

### **Andrés Ortega (Spain)**

Author & journalist; former Director of Policy Planning, Office of the Spanish Prime Minister

@andresortegak

### **Marc Otte (Belgium)**

Director General, Egmont Institute

### **Soli Özel (Turkey)**

Professor of International Relations and Political Science, Istanbul Kadir Has University

@soliozel2

### **Behlül Özkan (Turkey)**

Assistant Professor, Marmara University

@BehlulOzkan

### **Žaneta Ozolina**

Professor, University of Latvia

## P

### **Laurence Parisot (France)**

Former Vice President, IFOP

@LaurenceParisot

### **Safak Pavey (Turkey)**

Member of Parliament

@safakpavey

### **Eva Piera (Spain)**

Director of Institutional Relations, BBVA

@EvaPiera\_Madrid

**Kati Piri (The Netherlands)**

Rapporteur on Turkey; Member of the European Parliament

@KatiPiri

**Lapo Pistelli (Italy)**

Executive Vice President, ENI

@lapopistelli

**Rosen Plevneliev (Bulgaria)**

Former President of Bulgaria

**Andrew Puddephatt (United Kingdom)**

Executive Chair of the Advisory Board, Global Partners & Associated Ltd.

@AndrewPuddephat

**Q****Lia Quartapelle (Italy)**

Member of Parliament

@LiaQuartapelle

**R****Nicola Reindorp (United Kingdom)**

Deputy Director, Crisis Action

@nicolareindorp

**José María Robles Fraga (Spain)**

Director, International Corporate Affairs, Santander

**Albert Rohan (Austria)**

Ambassador (retired)

**Nikolaus Röttger (Germany)**

Editor-in-Chief, WIRED Germany

@nikolausr

**Norbert Röttgen (Germany)**

Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs; Member of the Bundestag

**Nicolò Russo Perez (Italy)**

Coordinator, International Affairs Programme, Compagnia di San Paolo

**S****Daniel Sachs (Sweden)**

CEO, Proventus

@DanielSachs1

**Marietje Schaake (The Netherlands)**

Member of the European Parliament

@MarietjeSchaake

**Klaus Scharioth (Germany)**

Dean, Mercator Fellowship on International Affairs

**Pierre Schori (Sweden)**

Chair, Olof Palme Memorial Fund

**Andreas Schwab (Germany)**

Member of the European Parliament

@Andreas\_Schwab

**Michael Schwarz (Germany)**

Executive Director, Stiftung Mercator

**Daniela Schwarzer (Germany)**

Senior Director for Research and Director of Europe programme, German Marshall Fund of the United States

@D\_Schwarzer

**Giuseppe Scognamiglio (Italy)**

Executive Vice President, Head of Group Institutional & Regulatory Affairs Department, UniCredit; Editor, EastWest

**Kamelia Slaveykova (Bulgaria)**

Country Chair Bulgaria and Greece and External Relations Manager, Central, Eastern Europe and Mediterranean, Shell

**Wawrzyniec Smoczyński (Poland)**

Managing Director, Polityka Insight

@WSmoczyński

**Annika Söder (Sweden)**

State Secretary to the Minister for Foreign Affairs

**Javier Solana (Spain)**

Former EU High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy & Secretary-General of The Council of the EU; former Secretary General of NATO

@javiorsolana

**Alexander Soros (Hungary/USA)**

Global Board Member, Open Society Foundations

@AlexanderSoros

**George Soros (Hungary/USA)**

Founder and Chairman, Open Society Foundations

[@georgesoros](#)

**Volker Stanzel (Germany)**

Former Ambassador of Germany to China and Japan

[@StvL](#)

**Andris Strazds (Latvia)**

Advisor, Bank of Latvia; Faculty Member, Stockholm School of Economics in Riga

[@Andris\\_Strazds](#)

**Sabine Stricker-Kellerer (Germany)**

Lawyer, SSK Asia

**Alexander Stubb (Finland)**

Former Prime Minister of Finland

[@alexstubb](#)

**Michael Stürmer (Germany)**

Chief Correspondent, Die Welt

**Ion Sturza (Romania)**

Founder and Chairman, Fribourg Capital; former Prime Minister of Moldova

**Christos Stylianides (Cyprus)**

European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Management

[@StylianidesEU](#)

**Hannes Swoboda (Austria)**

Former President of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats, European Parliament

[@Hannes\\_Swoboda](#)

**T****Anna Terrón Cusí (Spain)**

Special Advisor to the European Commissioner for Trade; President, InStrategies

[@annaterronc](#)

**Helle Thorning-Schmidt (Denmark)**

CEO, Save the Children International; former Prime Minister of Denmark

[@HelleThorning\\_S](#)

**José Ignacio Torreblanca (Spain)**

Editorial Director, El País

[@jitorreblanca](#)

**Erkki Tuomioja (Finland)**

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs

**U****Sinan Ülgen (Turkey)**

Chairman, Center for Economics and Foreign Policy Studies

[@sinanulgen1](#)

**Vygaudas Ušackas (Lithuania)**

Former Minister of Foreign Affairs

[@Usackas\\_V](#)

**V****Justin Vaïsse (France)**

Director of Policy Planning Staff, Ministry of Foreign Affairs

[@JustinVaïsse](#)

**Tomáš Valášek (Slovakia)**

Director, Carnegie Europe

[@valasekt](#)

**Jordi Vaquer (Spain)**

Director, Open Society Initiative for Europe

[@JordiVaquer](#)

**Coen van Oostrom (The Netherlands)**

CEO and Founder, OVG Real Estate

[@CoenvanOostrom](#)

**Mabel van Oranje (The Netherlands)**

Co-chair of the Board, ECFR; Chair, Girls Not Brides

[@MabelvanOranje](#)

**Ivan Vejvoda (Serbia)**

Senior Vice President for Programmes, German Marshall Fund of the United States

[@Ivejevoda](#)

**Vaira Vīķe-Freiberga (Latvia)**

Former President

[@VairaVF](#)

## W

### **Johann Wadephul (Germany)**

Member of the Bundestag

@JoeWadephul

### **Andre Wilkens (Germany)**

Author; Co-Founder, Die Offene Gesellschaft

## Z

### **Stelios Zavvos (Greece)**

Founder and CEO, Zeus Capital Management

### **Anna Herrhausen**

CEO, Herrhausen Society

### **Kirsten Hommelhoff**

Director, Mercator Centre Berlin, Stiftung Mercator

### **Jonathan Hoyle**

Vice President Europe & Americas, Lockheed Martin

### **Flavia Kleiner**

Co-President, Operation Libero

### **Caio Koch-Weser**

Chairman of the Supervisory Board, European Climate Foundation

### **Julius Krein**

Founding Editor, American Affairs

@JuliusKrein

### **Carlos López Blanco**

Global Head, Public and Regulatory Affairs, Telefónica

### **Katharina Lumpf**

Representative of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in Germany

### **Alessia Messina**

Political Risk & Country Analyst, UniCredit

### **Michael Nowak**

Advisor on Russia, Eurasia and Turkey, Federal Foreign Office of Germany

### **Janka Oertel**

Programme Director, International Affairs, Körber Foundation

@oertel\_janka

### **Monika Panayotova**

General Manager, INNO Advisers

### **Philippos Savvides**

Cabinet Member to the European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Management

@PhSavvides

### **Tamiko Soros**

Spouse of George Soros

---

## Observers & Guests

### **Ralf Beste**

Head of Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office of Germany

@ralfrabe

### **Julia De Clerck-Sachsse**

Public Diplomacy Advisor, European External Action Service

### **Wolfgang Dierker**

Director Government Affairs & Policy, GE Germany & Austria

### **Ann Dismorr**

Head, Middle East and North Africa Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden

### **Anna Elfving-Gomes**

Adviser, Office of President Martti Ahtisaari, Crisis Management Initiative

### **Filippo Grandi**

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees

@RefugeesChief

### **Sebastian Groth**

Deputy Head of Policy Planning, Federal Foreign Office of Germany

### **Emily Haber**

State Secretary, Federal Ministry of the Interior of Germany



**Lauri Tierala**

Manager, Market Access and Aeropolitics, Finnair

**Jorge Toledo**

Secretary of State for the European Union, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain

**Shahin Vallée**

Economic Adviser, SFM UK Management

[@Shahinvallee](#)

**Rossitsa Vrabevska**

Director, Comac Medical

**Milen Vrabevski**

CEO, Comac Medical

**Volkan Vural**

Advisor to the Chairman of the Board, Dogan Holding

**Geir Westgaard**

Vice President and Head of EU Affairs Office, Statoil

[@westgeir](#)

**Martin Wiesmann**

Managing Director/Vice Chairman, Investment Banking EMEA, JP Morgan Securities

**Rear Admiral (lower half) Jürgen zur Mühlen**

Head of the Directorate Politics I, Federal Ministry of Defence of Germany

---

## ECFR Staff

**Asli Aydıntasbas**

Senior Policy Fellow, Wider Europe programme

[@asliaydintasbas](#)

**Julien Barnes-Dacey**

Senior Policy Fellow, Middle East and North Africa programme

[@jbdacey](#)

**Pauline Goeminne**

Communications Assistant

[@pgoemin](#)

**Jennie Bradley**

Executive Assistant, Management Team

[@jennierbradley](#)

**Joia Buning**

Intern, Berlin Office

**Piotr Buras**

Head, Warsaw Office

**Ruth Citrin**

Director, Middle East and North Africa Programme

**Francisco de Borja Lasheras**

Head, Madrid Office; Policy Fellow

[@LasherasBorja](#)

**Susi Dennison**

Director, European Power Programme

[@sd270](#)

**Mathieu Duchâtel**

Deputy Director and Senior Policy Fellow, Asia and China Programme

[@mtdtl](#)

**Sebastian Dullien**

Senior Policy Fellow, European Power Programme

[@SDullien](#)

**Anthony Dworkin**

Senior Policy Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme

[@AnthonyDworkin](#)

**Wiebke Ewering**

Communications Officer

**Marisa Figueroa**

Advocacy Manager

[@MFigueroaGomez](#)

**Silvia Francescon**

Head, Rome Office

[@silviafrance](#)

**Ulrike Franke**

Research Assistant to the Director

[@RikeFranke](#)

**Ellie Geranmayeh**

Senior Policy Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme

[@EllieGeranmayeh](#)



**François Godement**

Director and Senior Policy Fellow, Asia and China Programme  
[@FGodement](#)

**Alexia Gouttebroze**

Events Manager  
[@agouttebroze](#)

**Swantje Green**

Council Coordinator  
[@swaninlondon](#)

**Gustav Gressel**

Senior Policy Fellow, Wider Europe Programme  
[@GresselGustav](#)

**Josef Janning**

Head, Berlin Office; Senior Policy Fellow  
[@JJ52](#)

**Thorsten Klaußen**

Senior Director for Development

**Christoph Klavehn**

Project Coordinator

**Joanna Knowles**

Senior Director for Finance & Operations

**Manuel Lafont Rapnouil**

Head, Paris Office; Senior Policy Fellow  
[@mlafontrapnouil](#)

**Alba Lamberti**

Senior Director for Advocacy  
[@alba\\_lamberti](#)

**Kadri Liik**

Senior Policy Fellow, Wider Europe Programme  
[@KadriLiik](#)

**Felix Mengel**

Programme Manager, Berlin Office

**Almut Möller**

Head, Berlin Office; Senior Policy Fellow  
[@almutmoeller](#)

**Conor Quinn**

Communications Manager  
[@conorquinn85](#)

**Jeremy Shapiro**

Research Director  
[@JyShapiro](#)

**Angela Stanzel**

Policy Fellow, Asia and China Programme  
[@angela\\_stanzel](#)

**Vessela Tcherneva**

Senior Director for Programmes; Head, Sofia Office  
[@vtcherneva](#)

**Mattia Toaldo**

Senior Policy Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme  
[@mattiatoaldo](#)

**Abigaël Vasselier**

Programme Coordinator, Asia and China Programme  
[@v\\_abigael](#)

**Alison Wallace**

CEO  
[@alisonw\\_ECFR](#)

**Fredrik Wesslau**

Director, Wider Europe Programme  
[@FWesslau](#)

**Nick Witney**

Senior Policy Fellow, European Power Programme

**Denica Yotova**

Programmes Coordinator  
[@DenicaYotova](#)

**Steffen Zorn**

Development Manager

**Christel Zunneberg**

Project Assistant, European Power Programme