



Short CVs of panelists



Merete Clausen

Director for Investment, Directorate General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (DG GROW) European Commission

Merete Clausen has worked for the European Commission since 2006. She was previously Head of Unit in the Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs, responsible for coordination with the European Investment Bank (EIB) Group, the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and other International Financial Institutions. Before that, she was responsible for the SME Window part of the European Fund for Strategic Investments (EFSI), the predecessor to the InvestEU Programme, and other European Union innovative instruments designed to support investment in innovative enterprises, SMEs, micro- and social enterprises.

She graduated from the University of Aarhus, Denmark, with a master's degree in law and worked for several years in private practice in Copenhagen and Aarhus before joining the EU institutions in 2001.



Isabel Hochgesand

Chief Procurement & Hazelnut Company Officer Ferrero

Isabel Hochgesand joined Ferrero in November 2023 as Chief Procurement & Hazelnut Company Officer. Additionally, Isabel serves on the Supervisory Boards of Ontex and Matilda AG.

Isabel joined Procter & Gamble in 1992 in Germany in her first Procurement role as a Purchasing Manager for diaper materials. In the following years she held several Procurement roles. In 1998 she took over the European Feminine Care Purchasing team in Geneva/Switzerland. In 2001, Isabel took on a transformation role, creating the Marketing and Media Purchasing organization in P&G in Europe from scratch. In 2008, she moved to the global P&G Headquarter in Cincinnati OH, USA. There she led the global Paper Purchasing organization, namely for Pampers, Always, Charmin etc. End of 2012 Isabel returned to Germany and became Managing Director of Supply Chain for Germany, Austria and Switzerland for P&G. In 2017, she moved to Beiersdorf as the Chief Procurement Officer.

After six years, Isabel left Beiersdorf and joined Ferrero Global Headquarters in Luxembourg as the Chief Procurement & Hazelnut Company Officer.





Patrick Klein Managing Director Dyckerhoff

Patrick Klein has been Managing Director of Dyckerhoff GmbH in Wiesbaden since July 1, 2023.

After studying business administration in Lüneburg and completing an Executive MBA at INSEAD Business School, Patrick Klein has held various management positions in the building materials industry in Germany, Luxembourg and Italy since 1997. Until June 2023, Patrick Klein was responsible for the finances of Buzzi Unicem SpA in Casale Monferrato, Italy.

Dyckerhoff is an international producer of cement and ready-mixed concrete. Dyckerhoff is part of Buzzi, a corporation located in Italy, which operates in 13 countries, with almost 10,000 employees worldwide. Cimalux in Luxembourg is a Buzzi company, part of Dyckerhoff's Western Europe division.



Arnaud Lanoe Investment Analyst CapitalatWork Foyer Group

Arnaud Lanoe began his career at CapitalatWork twelve years ago, covering several geographical areas and business sectors. He has since deepened his knowledge of technology, semi-conductors, commodities (mainly mining) and the energy transition. Arnaud Lanoe enjoys sharing his knowledge, both through client presentations and through exchanges and training with in-house analysts. He holds a master's degree in Theoretical physics, condensed matter (ULP Strasbourg) and a master's degree in Quantitative finance (EM Lyon). He has also completed two financial certifications, CFA (analysis) and FRM (risk management).



Prof. Dr Bernard Lorentz

Global Consulting Sustainability & Climate Strategy Leader Deloitte Deutschland

Prof. Dr Bernhard Lorentz has dedicated his career to two major goals: decarbonization of industries and improvement of public service. In his role as Global Consulting Sustainability & Climate Leader, he oversees sustainability topics within Global Consulting and serves as the founding chair of the Deloitte Center for Sustainable Progress. His main responsibility is to provide clients with comprehensive and globally integrated support in managing the transformation towards net-zero. Within Germany, Bernhard Lorentz is in charge of Sustainability & Climate across all services as the leader of the newly founded entity, Deloitte Sustainability & Climate (DSC).

He is widely recognized as a policy advisor, with a particular focus on global energy and decarbonization strategies. In his capacity, he acts as a liaison between government, industry, and academia, advising clients in various industries such as automotive, public sector, hard-to-abate industries, and finance. Bernhard Lorentz serves on numerous boards of public, academic, and philanthropic institutions in Germany and the United States. He is the founder of various think tanks in the field including Agora Energiewende, MCC and the Climate Neutrality Foundation and served as chairman of the Mercator Foundation.





Emmanuelle Mousel Partner Arendt & Medernach

Emmanuelle Mousel is a Partner in the Insurance & Reinsurance and Banking & Financial Services practices of Arendt & Medernach.

Emmanuelle Mousel advises banks, investment firms and other financial sector professionals, as well as payment service providers, insurance and reinsurance undertakings, insurance intermediaries and insurance sector professionals on regulatory, civil, commercial and insolvency law matters. Her areas of special expertise include licensing requirements, mergers and acquisitions, drafting and review of contractual and business documentation, as well as issues pertaining to anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism financing measures. She also advises on questions relating to pension funds.

In addition, Emmanuelle Mousel assists institutional clients with criminal and regulatory investigations and litigation cases.



Jean-Louis Schiltz

Partner, Schiltz & Schiltz, Vice-Chair, FEDIL

Jean-Louis Schiltz is the Vice-Chair of FEDIL since 2019. He is the Senior partner at SCHILTZ & SCHILTZ, avocats. He advises on tech law and regulatory matters.

Jean-Louis Schiltz is a Professor (hon.) at the University of Luxembourg's where he teaches tech law. He is the Vice-Chair of RTL Group and the Chair of Brasserie Nationale, Luxembourg's largest regional brewer.

From 2004 to 2009, Jean-Louis Schiltz served as Cabinet Minister in Luxembourg. His portfolio included defence, media, telecommunications, technology and international development.



Paul Schockmel

IEE

Since joining IEE S.A. in 1995, Paul Schockmel has held key management positions in a range of areas, including Communications, Public Affairs, Sales, Innovation Management, Business Development, and Product Management. In 2021, Paul Schockmel took over as CEO of IEE. He also exercises the functions of Director of the Board and Member of the Executive Committee of the IEE Group.

He also acted as the CEO of the European Association of Automotive Suppliers (CLEPA), developing a strong international network throughout the automotive industry, as well as founding the Luxembourgish Association of Automotive Suppliers (ILEA) and co-founding the Luxembourg Automotive Components cluster.

Paul Schockmel holds a master's degree in mechanical engineering and business administration.





Stéphane Tondo Head of Climate Change / Governmental Affairs ArcelorMittal

Stéphane Tondo, General Manager of ArcelorMittal, is currently head of climate change - governmental affairs and in that function, he contributes to the decarbonization roadmap of European entities and its financing.

Stéphane joined Sollac, a former company of ArcelorMittal in the automotive sales division in 1998 where he held several positions, from market development engineer, through key account manager and finally heading an automotive sales area. Since 2013, he has been Chief Marketing Officer in charge of Packaging, Oil and gas, and Electrical Steel segments within ArcelorMittal Europe Flat Products. Additionally, in March 2020, he took the role of Chief Executive Officer of ArcelorMittal Avelino & Canossa in Italy.

Stéphane holds a degree as sales engineer from the Esidec business school in Metz (France).



Dr Gaston Trauffler Head of Industrial Policy FEDIL

Gaston Trauffler is the Head of Industrial Policy at FEDIL and a member of the Management Committee. He is in charge of projects and political actions related to industrial policy including energy and environmental issues.

Before joining FEDIL, Gaston was the Director of Communication, Marketing, and Strategy and a member of the Management Committee at Luxinnovation, Luxembourg's National Innovation Agency. Gaston also worked as a senior manager with Ernst & Young, EY Luxembourg's business advisory practice in strategy, management, and innovation. He further gained international professional experience during several years working in Tokyo, Japan, as an industrial analyst in foreign direct investment and as a management consultant in Zurich, advising technology-based companies in Switzerland, Austria, and Germany.

Gaston holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering, a master's degree in business engineering and industrial management with a major in Biocompatible Material Sciences, and a Ph.D. in Strategic Management from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, ETH Zurich.



Claude Turmes

Former Minister for Energy, Former Minister for Spatial Planning Former Member of the European Parliament

After completing his secondary education, Claude Turmes graduated in physical and sport education from the University of Louvain-la-Neuve. In parallel with his teaching career, he furthered his knowledge of environmental technologies, engaging in studies at the Luxembourg University Foundation in Arlon.

Claude Turmes embarked on a dynamic political journey when he was first elected as a Member of the European Parliament in 1999, representing the Luxembourgish Green Party (déi gréng). He continued to secure re-elections in 2004, 2009, and 2014.

In June 2018, Claude Turmes was appointed Secretary of State for Sustainable Development and Infrastructures. After the legislative elections of October 2018, Claude Turmes was appointed Minister for Energy and Minister for Spatial Planning in the coalition government formed by the DP, the LSAP and déi gréng. He remained minister until the national legislative elections in October 2023.





Laurence Zenner CEO Creos

Since July 2023, Laurence Zenner is Managing Director and CEO of Creos Luxembourg, as well as a member of the Executive Committee of Encevo.

Before joining the electricity and gas network operator, she had been CEO of CFL cargo since 2018. She began her career in 1995 as an R&D engineer with a manufacturer of metal halls and joined the CFL Group in 1999, where she held various positions in the Infrastructure Management Department before taking up the position of Secretary General from 2014 to 2017 and Head of Quality for the CFL Group from 2016 to 2017.

Laurence Zenner holds a master's degree in Civil construction engineering from the University of Liège, Faculty of Applied Sciences.