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## President Barroso unveils his new team

***José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission, today announced the portfolios responsibilities for the next Commission. The President has held detailed consultations with all the Commissioners-designate in order to assign the right jobs to the right people. The President believes that this team can deliver the agenda for change he set out in the political guidelines he presented in September, following his nomination by all 27 Member States and before his approval as President of the next Commission by the European Parliament.***

President Barroso said: "We have a European programme, and now we have a European team. On the basis of the nominations by the Member States, I have sought to design a College which can generate fresh ideas and new momentum on the biggest challenges we face in Europe today. This College will implement the political guidelines that I presented to the European Parliament. I am confident that this College will be decisive in steering Europe towards recovery and a sustainable social market economy that works for the people. I have put together a strong Commission to fill the enhanced role of Europe, including on the world stage, provided by the Lisbon Treaty. One of the key tasks of this College will be to give life to the new opportunities provided by the Lisbon Treaty. The Commissioners-designate will present themselves in the hearings before the European Parliament in January. After the vote of consent of the Parliament, it will be time to start to work and to produce results for our citizens."

The new College will have 7 Vice-Presidents, including Vice-President Baroness Catherine Ashton who will, at the same time, be the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, following the entry into force of the Lisbon Treaty on 1 December next. Three of the Vice-Presidents will be women. The new College will have 27 members, including President Barroso, one from each Member State. It includes 9 women. The members of the College come from different political families, notably the European People's Party (EPP), the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats (S & D), and the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE). 14 members, including the President, were already members of the outgoing College.

President Barroso has given a new look to the College of his second mandate. He has announced a number of new portfolios: Climate Action; Home Affairs; Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship. He has reconfigured a number of other portfolios: Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth; Health and Consumer Policy; Industry and Entrepreneurship; Research and Innovation; International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response. There will be a new emphasis on inclusion in the Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion portfolio, and a renewed focus with the Digital Agenda portfolio.

## **Responsibilities of the Commissioners-designate**

- Joaquín ALMUNIA: Competition. Vice-President of the Commission.
- László ANDOR: Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion.
- Baroness Catherine ASHTON: High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security and Vice-President of the Commission.
- Michel BARNIER: Internal Market and Services.
- Dacian CIOLOS: Agriculture and Rural Development.
- John DALLI: Health and Consumer Policy.
- Maria DAMANAKI: Maritime Affairs and Fisheries.
- Karel DE GUCHT: Trade.
- Štefan FÜLE: Enlargement and European Neighbourhood Policy. \*
- Johannes HAHN: Regional Policy.
- Connie HEDEGAARD: Climate Action.
- Maire GEOGHEGAN-QUINN: Research and Innovation.
- Rumiana JELEVA: International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response. \*
- Siim KALLAS: Transport. Vice-President of the Commission.
- Neelie KROES: Digital Agenda. Vice-President of the Commission.
- Janusz LEWANDOWSKI: Budget and Financial Programming.
- Cecilia MALMSTRÖM: Home Affairs.
- Günter OETTINGER: Energy.
- Andris PIEBALGS: Development.\*
- Janez POTOČNIK: Environment.
- Viviane REDING: Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship. Vice-President of the Commission.
- Olli REHN: Economic and Monetary Affairs.
- Maroš ŠEFČOVIČ: Vice-President of the Commission for Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration.
- Algirdas ŠEMETA: Taxation and Customs Union, Audit and Anti-Fraud.
- Antonio TAJANI: Industry and Entrepreneurship. Vice-President of the Commission.
- Androulla VASSILIOU: Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth.

\* In close cooperation with the High Representative/Vice-President in accordance with the treaties.

A table with a more detailed description of the portfolio responsibilities is attached.

Baroness Ashton will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President. However, having regard to her specific functions, notably in the Council, the replacement of the President in his absence will be assured by the other Vice-Presidents, in the order of precedence defined by the President. The order of precedence is: Viviane Reding, Joaquín Almunia, Siim Kallas, Neelie Kroes, Antonio Tajani, Maroš Šefčovič.

## **Next steps**

The new Commission must gain approval from the European Parliament before it takes office for a term of office running until 31 October 2014. Commissioners-designate will appear in individual hearings before Parliamentary committees from 11-19 January. The vote of consent on the new Commission as a whole is foreseen to take place on 26 January. On the basis of the vote of consent, the Commission shall be appointed by the European Council. Then it can start working.

It will do so on the basis of the political guidelines for the next Commission set out by President Barroso in September last. He highlighted the need for EU leadership, shaping globalisation on the basis of its values and interests. Taking global interdependence as the starting point, he set out a transformational agenda for the EU, a Europe that puts people at the heart of its agenda. He emphasized five key challenges facing Europe:

- Restarting economic growth today and ensuring long-term sustainability and competitiveness for the future
- Fighting unemployment and reinforcing our social cohesion
- Turning the challenge of a sustainable Europe to our competitive advantage
- Ensuring the security of Europeans
- Reinforcing EU citizenship and participation.

Priorities for tackling these challenges will be set in a ten year framework to deliver a vision for the EU in 2020, reinvigorating the inclusive social market economy that is the hallmark of the European way of life. The allocation of portfolios has been structured to deliver this ambitious agenda.

In his letters to each Commissioner setting out their new responsibilities, President Barroso has underlined the essential role of the Commission as the motor for the EU's efforts to address tomorrow's challenges, as well as the new opportunities provided by the Lisbon Treaty. He repeated his commitment to a smart regulation agenda, respecting subsidiarity and proportionality, focused on clear added value at EU level; paying particular attention to sound financial management; and full respect for the Code of Conduct of the Members of the European Commission. He has also stressed the need for a successful partnership with the Member States and the other institutions, in particular with the European Parliament.

## **Background note to editors**

The CVs with pictures of the 26 Commissioners-designate are now available on:

[http://www.ec.europa.eu/commission\\_designate\\_2009-2014/index\\_en.htm](http://www.ec.europa.eu/commission_designate_2009-2014/index_en.htm)

## Barroso II Commission – 2010/2014

### *Allocation of portfolios and supporting services*

Note on the Vice-Presidencies: Baroness Catherine Ashton will be the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President. However, having regard to her specific functions, notably in the Council, the replacement of the President in his absence will be assured by the other Vice-Presidents, in the order of precedence defined by the President. The order of precedence is: Viviane Reding, Joaquín Almunia, Siim Kallas, Neelie Kroes, Antonio Tajani, Maroš Šefčovič.

<b>Portfolios</b>	<b>Names</b>	<b>Services</b>
<b>President</b>	José Manuel Barroso	Secretariat-General (SG); Legal Service (LS); Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA); Spokespeople's Service (SPP).  <i>Changes for the SG:</i> - <i>The Better Regulation Unit ENTR B.5 moves to the SG from DG Enterprise and Industry (ENTR);</i> - <i>The Secretariat of the Audit Progress Committee (Unit SG B.2) moves from the SG to the Internal Audit Service (IAS).</i>
<b>High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Baroness Catherine Ashton	DG External Relations (RELEX)
<b>Agriculture and Rural Development</b>	Dacian Ciolos	DG Agriculture and Rural Development (AGRI)
<b>Budget and Financial Programming</b>	Janusz Lewandowski	DG Budget (BUDG)
<b>Climate Action</b>	Connie Hedegaard	DG Climate Action (to be set up before Summer 2010): core of DG Climate Action will be the existing Directorate C of DG Environment (ENV) except the Clean Air Unit ENV C.3 that will remain in DG Environment.

<b>Competition. Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Joaquín Almunia	DG Competition (COMP)  <i>Change for DG COMP:</i> <i>The state aid competencies currently in DG Transport and Energy (TREN) will move to DG COMP.</i>
<b>Development<sup>1</sup></b>	Andris Piebalgs	DG Development (DEV); The development part of EuropeAid-Cooperation Office (AIDCO). <sup>2</sup>
<b>Digital Agenda. Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Neelie Kroes	DG Information Society (INFSO); European Network and Information Security Agency (ENISA).  <i>Change for DG INFSO:</i> <i>The MEDIA Programme Unit INFSO A.2 moves from DG INFSO to DG Education and Culture (EAC).</i>
<b>Economic and Monetary Affairs</b>	Olli Rehn	DG Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECFIN) EUROSTAT
<b>Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth</b>	Androulla Vassiliou	DG Education and Culture (EAC); DG Translation (DGT); DG Interpretation (SCIC); Translation Centre for the Bodies of the EU (CdT); European Centre for the Development of Vocational Training (CEDEFOP); European Training Foundation (ETF); European Institute of Technology (EIT); The EAC part of the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA).  <i>Changes for DG EAC:</i>

<sup>1</sup> In close cooperation with the High Representative/Vice-President in accordance with the treaties.

<sup>2</sup> Without prejudice for the future creation of the European External Action Service (EEAS). - The development commissioner will moreover assure the political representation of the Commission in the Foreign Affairs Council given the role of the High Representative/Vice President as the President of that formation of the Council and for this task draw on the support of the SG and of DG RELEX.

		<p>- The MEDIA Programme Unit INFSO A.2 moves to DG EAC from DG Information Society (INFSO);</p> <p>- The Marie Curie Programme Units RTD T.2 and T.3 move to DG EAC from DG Research (RTD);</p> <p>- The Citizenship Unit EAC D.4 and the Visitors Unit EAC D.5 move from DG EAC to DG Communication (COMM).</p>
<b>Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion</b>	László Andor	<p>DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion (EMPL);</p> <p>European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Eurofound);</p> <p>European Agency for Health and safety at Work (EU-OSHA).</p> <p><i><u>Change for DG EMPL:</u></i>  <i>The Equality between Men/Women, Action against Discrimination, Civil Society Directorate EMPL G will remain within DG EMPL but be placed under the responsibility of the commissioner for Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship.</i></p>
<b>Energy</b>	Günter Oettinger	<p>DG Energy to be created out of DG Transport and Energy (TREN);</p> <p>Euratom Supply Agency;</p> <p>The energy part of Executive Agency for Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI).</p> <p><i><u>Change for DG TREN:</u></i>  <i>The state aid competencies currently in DG Transport and Energy (TREN) will move to DG COMP.</i></p>
<b>Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy<sup>3</sup></b>	Stefan Füle	<p>DG Enlargement (ELARG);</p> <p>The neighbourhood parts of DG External Relations (RELEX) and of the EuropeAid-Cooperation Office (AIDCO).<sup>4</sup></p>

<sup>3</sup> In close cooperation with the High Representative/Vice-President in accordance with the treaties.

<sup>4</sup> Without prejudice for the creation of the future European External Action Service (EEAS).

<b>Environment</b>	Janez Potočnik	<p>DG Environment (ENV); European Environmental Agency (EEA).</p> <p><u>Changes for DG ENV:</u>  - The Climate Directorate ENV C moves from DG ENV to the new DG for Climate Action (except the Clean Air Unit C.3);  - The Civil Protection Units ENV A.3. and ENV A.4 move from DG ENV to DG Humanitarian Aid (ECHO);  - The Biotechnology, Pesticides and Health Unit ENV D.4 moves from DG ENV to DG Health and Consumers (SANCO).</p>
<b>Health and Consumer Policy</b>	John Dalli	<p>DG Health and Consumers (SANCO); Community Plant Variety Office (CPVO); European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC); European Food Safety Authority (EFSA); European Medicines Agency (EMA); Executive Agency for Health and Consumers (EAHC).</p> <p><u>Changes for DG SANCO:</u>  - The Pharmaceutical Products and Cosmetics Units ENTR F.2 and F.3 move to DG SANCO from DG Enterprise and Industry (ENTR), consequently the European Medicines Agency comes under the Health and Consumer portfolio;  - The Biotechnology, Pesticides and Health Unit ENV D.4 moves to DG SANCO from DG Environment (ENV).  - The Consumer Contract and Marketing Law SANCO B.2 moves from DG SANCO to DG Justice, Liberty and Security (JLS) as part of the Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship portfolio.</p>

<b>Home Affairs</b>	Cecilia Malmström	Directorates B, C and F of DG Justice, Liberty and Security (JLS) (Directorate A will serve both the Home Affairs portfolio and the Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship portfolio); European Agency for the Management of Operational Cooperation at the External Borders (FRONTEX); European Police Office (EUROPOL); European Police College (CEPOL); Visa System (VIS II) and Schengen System (SIS II); European Monitoring Centre for Drug and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA).
<b>Industry and Entrepreneurship. Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Antonio Tajani	<p>DG Enterprise and Industry (ENTR); European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).</p> <p><i>Changes for DG ENTR:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>The Better Regulation Unit ENTR B.5 moves from DG ENTR to the Secretariat-General (SG).</i></li> <li>- <i>The Pharmaceutical Products and Cosmetics Units ENTR F.2 and F.3 move from DG ENTR to DG Health and Consumers (SANCO), consequently the European Medicines Agency moves to the Health and Consumer Policy portfolio;</i></li> <li>- <i>The co-ordination of the Trans-Atlantic Economic Council (TEC) moves from DG ENTR to DG TRADE;</i></li> <li>- <i>The Satellite Navigation Units TREN G.3, G.4 and G.5 move to DG ENTR from DG Transport and Energy (TREN), consequently the Global Navigation Satellites System Supervision Agency (Galileo) comes under the Industry and Entrepreneurship portfolio.</i></li> </ul>
<b>Vice-President for Inter-institutional Relations and</b>	Maroš Šefčovič	For inter-institutional relations, the Vice-President will draw on the support of the Secretariat-General

<b>Administration</b>		(SG). For administration: DG Personnel and Administration (ADMIN – from 1 January 2010 DG Human Resources and Security, HR); DG Informatics (DIGIT); Office for Administration and Payment of Individual Entitlements (PMO); Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Brussels (OIB); Office for Infrastructure and Logistics in Luxembourg (OIL); European Personnel Selection Office (EPSO); European Administration School (EAS).
<b>Internal Market and Services</b>	Michel Barnier	DG Internal Market and Services (MARKT); Office of Harmonisation in the Internal Market (OHIM).
<b>International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response<sup>5</sup></b>	Rumiana Jeleva	DG Humanitarian Aid (ECHO)  <i>Change for DG ECHO: The Civil Protection Units ENV A.3. and ENV A.4 move to DG ECHO from DG Environment (ENV).</i>
<b>Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship. Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Viviane Reding	Directorates D and E of DG Justice, Liberty and Security (JLS) (Directorate A will serve both the Home Affairs portfolio and the Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship portfolio); The Equality between Men/Women, Action against Discrimination, Civil Society Directorate EMPL G (will remain within DG EMPL but be placed under the responsibility of the commissioner for Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship); European Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA); European Institute for Gender

<sup>5</sup> In close cooperation with the High Representative/Vice-President in accordance with the treaties.

		<p>Equality (EIGE); European Judicial Cooperation Unit (EUROJUST); DG Communication (COMM); Publications Office (OP).</p> <p><i>Change for DG JLS:</i> <i>The Consumer Contract and Marketing Law SANCO B.2 moves to DG JLS from DG Health and Consumers (SANCO) as part of the Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship portfolio.</i></p> <p><i>Changes for DG COMM:</i> <i>- The Citizenship Unit EAC D.4 and the Visitors Unit EAC D.5 move to DG COMM from DG Education and Culture (EAC).</i></p>
<b>Maritime Affairs and Fisheries</b>	Maria Damanaki	DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries (MARE); Community Fisheries Control Agency (CFCA).
<b>Regional policy</b>	Johannes Hahn	DG Regional Policy (REGIO)
<b>Research, Innovation and Science</b>	Maire Geoghegan-Quinn	DG Research (RTD); Joint Research Centre (JRC); European Research Council (ERC); Research Executive Agency (REA); European Research Council Executive Agency (ERCEA). <p><i>Changes for DG RTD:</i> <i>- The Marie Curie Programme Units RTD T.2 and T.3 move from DG RTD to DG Education and Culture (EAC).</i></p>
<b>Taxation and Customs Union, Audit and Anti-Fraud</b>	Algirdas Šemeta	For Taxation and Customs Union: DG Taxation and Customs Union (TAXUD). <p>For Audit and Anti-Fraud:<sup>6</sup> Internal Audit Service (IAS); European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF).</p>

<sup>6</sup> For budgetary discharge, the commissioner will draw on the support of DG Budget (BUDG).

		<p><u>Change for the IAS:</u>  - The Secretariat of the Audit Progress Committee (Unit SG B.2) moves to the IAS from the Secretariat-General (SG).</p>
<b>Trade</b>	Karel de Gucht	<p>DG TRADE</p> <p><u>Change for DG TRADE:</u>  - The co-ordination of the Trans-Atlantic Economic Council (TEC) moves to DG TRADE from DG Enterprise and Industry.</p>
<b>Transport. Vice-President of the Commission</b>	Siim Kallas	<p>DG Transport to be created out of DG Transport and Energy (TREN); European Railway Agency (ERA); European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA); European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA); Trans-European Transport Network Executive Agency; The transport part of the Executive Agency of Competitiveness and Innovation (EACI).</p> <p><u>Changes for DG TREN:</u>  - The state aid competencies currently in DG TREN will move to DG Competition (COMP).  - The Satellite Navigation Units TREN G.3, G.4 and G.5 move from DG TREN to DG Enterprise and Industry (ENTR), consequently the Global Navigation Satellites System Supervision Agency (Galileo) moves to the Industry and Entrepreneurship portfolio.</p>