



European Commission — Taxation and customs union

## *Conference Programme*

*What taxation for a low carbon economy?*

*Quelle fiscalité pour une économie pauvre en carbone?*

*Welches Steuersystem für eine kohlenstoffarme Wirtschaft?*



*30 November 2009,  
Brussels, Charlemagne Building, room GASP*





*Conference programme*  
*What taxation for a low carbon economy?*

# Afternoon

- 14.00 – 14.05**    **OPENING OF THE AFTERNOON SESSION**  
by **Walter Deffaa**, *Director General, DG Taxation and Customs Union, European Commission*
- 14.05 – 14.25**    **SPEECH BY THE EU PRESIDENCY:  
THE CASE FOR CO2 TAXATION**  
**Ingemar Hansson**, *State Secretary for Taxation, Sweden*
- 14.25 – 14.45**    **CO2 TAXATION:  
A MEANS FOR SUSTAINABLE GROWTH?**  
**Bernard Clerfayt**, *State Secretary for environmental taxation,  
attached to the Minister for Finance, Belgium*
- 14.45 – 15.05**    **EUROPE'S CONTRIBUTION TO A BALANCED CARBON WORLD**  
**Jacqueline McGlade**, *Executive Director, European Environment Agency*
- 15.05-15.15**    **QUESTIONS SESSION**
- 15.15 – 15.45**    **COFFEE BREAK**
- 15.45 – 16.45**    **OPEN DISCUSSION**  
Chair: **Kai Schlegelmilch**, *Vice-President of GreenBudgetEurope*
- 16.45 – 17.15**    **CLOSING SESSION AND WRAP UP**  
by **Ingemar Hansson**, *State Secretary for Taxation, Sweden*  
by **Walter Deffaa**, *Director General, DG Taxation and Customs Union,  
European Commission*

## Conference programme

### What taxation for a low carbon economy?

# Practical information

## Conference Venue

Conference Centre Charlemagne (CHAR), Room GASP, Rue de la Loi, 170 – 1040 Brussels, Belgium

## How to reach the CHAR Building?

Metro station Schuman: Line 1 or 5

Bus stop Rond-Point Schuman: 22, 28, 36

Train station Schuman

## Welcome Desk

The Welcome Desk will be available to participants: 30 November 2009 from 08.30 to 12.00 and from 14.00 to 16.00

## Registration

Participants are requested to register on-line as soon as possible, using the following website:

<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fmi/scic/taxation09/start.php>

The deadline for registration is 16 November 2009. No acknowledgement of registration will be received on completion of the form. Please note of your registration ID. A confirmation e-mail will be sent to all participants registered within the deadline. Participants will be required to show the confirmation e-mail at the conference welcome desk. Due to the limited capacity of the conference rooms, the Commission services reserve the right not to accept registrations above that capacity.

## Programme

For any further information about the programme of the conference, please consult the conference website

[http://ec.europa.eu/taxation\\_customs/taxation/gen\\_info/tax\\_conferences/low\\_carbon/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/taxation/gen_info/tax_conferences/low_carbon/index_en.htm)

Or contact: Ms Adela Tesarova

European Commission

Directorate-General for Taxation and Customs Union

E-mail: [taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu](mailto:taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu)

## Conference language

Simultaneous interpretation will be provided into French, English and German.

## Conference Fees

There are no registration fees for this conference.

## Travel and accommodation

Participants are expected to organise their own travel and accommodation. The European Commission will not reimburse these expenses.

Information on accommodation in Brussels can be found at one of the following websites:

[www.opt.be](http://www.opt.be)

[www.bnb-brussels.be](http://www.bnb-brussels.be)

## Lunch

On Monday, 30 November 2009, the European Commission invites participants to a buffet lunch.

## Organisation

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## Personal data protection

Any application for participation at the conference involves treatment by the Directorate General for Taxation and Customs Union of personal data concerning the participant, in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 45/2001. By filing an application, the applicant will be considered as having given his or her consent to the processing of these data in the context of this conference. With a view to the provisions of the said regulation, furthermore, the following should be noted: Identity of data controller: Mrs Sabine Henzler, Head of Unit, Relations with the institutions, internal coordination, strategic planning, DG TAXUD. Purpose of the processing operation: all handling needed for the applicant's participation at the conference, and drafting of a global participant list, which will be distributed at the conference and might be published on the website of the European Commission. In addition, pictures of the conference could be published on the website of the European Commission. Existence of the right of access: Applicants have a right of access to their data, which will be kept until the next conference.

# Programme de la conférence

## Quelle fiscalité pour une économie pauvre en carbone?

# Matin

### Lundi, 30 Novembre 2009

- 08.30**            **ENREGISTREMENT DES PARTICIPANTS**
- 09.00**            **CAFÉ DE BIENVENUE**
- 10.00 – 10.05**    **OUVERTURE DE LA CONFÉRENCE**  
par **Walter Deffaa**, *Directeur général, Direction générale «Fiscalité et union douanière»,  
Commission européenne*
- 10.05 – 10.20**    **DISCOURS D'OUVERTURE**  
de **László Kovács**, *Commissaire européen chargé de la Fiscalité*
- 10.20 – 10.35**    **ATTEINDRE NOS OBJECTIFS CLIMATIQUES – LA NÉCESSITÉ  
D'AVOIR UNE BONNE COMBINAISON D'INSTRUMENTS,**  
**Karl Falkenberg**, *Directeur général, Direction générale «Environnement»,  
Commission européenne*
- 10.35 – 10.50**    **INSTRUMENTS D'UN BON RAPPORT COÛT/EFFICACITÉ POUR  
UNE ÉCONOMIE PAUVRE EN CARBONE, RÔLE DE LA FISCALITÉ,**  
**Prof. Don Fullerton**, *University of Illinois*
- 10.50 – 12.15**    **TABLE RONDE DE DISCUSSION**  
Président de séance: **Don Fullerton**
- Panélistes: **Corinne Lepage**, *Membre du Parlement européen*  
**Prof. Paul Ekins**, *Professeur de politique énergétique et environnementale,  
UCL Energy Institute, University College - Londres*  
**Chris Lenon**, *Responsable Taxation globale, Rio Tinto, Président du  
«Green tax Group» de Business Europe*  
**Elisabeth Nilsson**, *Présidente, Jernkontoret,  
Association des producteurs suédois d'acier*
- 12.15 – 12.30**    **DISCUSSION OUVERTE ET CONCLUSIONS DU PRÉSIDENT**
- 12.30 – 14.00**    **DÉJEUNER-BUFFET OFFERT** aux participants

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## Quelle fiscalité pour une économie pauvre en carbone?

# Après-midi

- 14.00 – 14.05** **OUVERTURE DE LA SESSION DE L'APRÈS-MIDI**  
par **Walter Deffaa**, *Directeur général, Direction générale «Fiscalité et union douanière», Commission européenne*
- 14.05 – 14.25** **DISCOURS DE LA PRÉSIDENTE DE L'UE:  
LE CAS DE LA FISCALITÉ DU CO2**  
**Ingemar Hansson**, *Secrétaire d'État à la fiscalité, Suède*
- 14.25 – 14.45** **LA FISCALITÉ DU CO2:  
UN MOYEN POUR UNE CROISSANCE DURABLE?**  
**Bernard Clerfayt**, *Secrétaire d'État à la fiscalité environnementale, adjoint au Ministre des Finances, Belgique*
- 14.45 – 15.05** **CONTRIBUTION DE L'EUROPE  
À UN «MONDE CARBONE» ÉQUILIBRÉ**  
**Jacqueline McGlade**, *Directrice exécutive de l'Agence européenne pour l'Environnement*
- 15.05-15.15** **SÉANCE DE QUESTIONS**
- 15.15 – 15.45** **PAUSE CAFÉ**
- 15.45 – 16.45** **DISCUSSION OUVERTE**  
Président de séance: **Kai Schlegelmilch**, *Vice-président de Green Budget Europe*
- 16.45 – 17.15** **SESSION DE CLÔTURE**  
**Ingemar Hansson**, *Secrétaire d'État à la fiscalité, Suède*  
**Walter Deffaa**, *Directeur général, Direction générale «Fiscalité et union douanière», Commission européenne*

# Programme de la conférence

## Quelle fiscalité pour une économie pauvre en carbone?

# Informations pratiques

### Lieu du Forum

Centre de conférences Charlemagne (CHAR),  
salle GASP, rue de la Loi, 170 – B-1040 Bruxelles

### Comment se rendre au bâtiment CHAR ?

Station de métro Schuman: ligne 1 ou 5  
Arrêt de bus rond-point Schuman: 22, 28, 36  
Gare Schuman

### Bureau d'accueil

Le bureau d'accueil sera ouvert:  
le lundi 30 novembre 2009 de 08h30 à 12h00 et de  
14h00 à 16h00.

### Inscription

Les participants sont priés de s'inscrire le plus tôt possible sur le site d'inscription en ligne suivant:  
<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fmi/scic/taxation09/start.php>

La date limite d'inscription est le 16 novembre 2009.

Aucune confirmation de l'inscription ne sera transmise une fois le formulaire complété. Veuillez prendre note de votre numéro d'inscription. Un message électronique de confirmation sera envoyé à tous les participants inscrits dans les délais. Les participants devront présenter la lettre de confirmation au bureau d'accueil de la conférence. En raison des limites de capacité des salles de conférence, les services de la Commission se réservent le droit de ne plus accepter d'inscriptions au-delà de ces capacités.

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Pour de plus amples informations sur le contenu de la conférence, veuillez consulter le site web de la conférence

[http://ec.europa.eu/taxation\\_customs/taxation/gen\\_info/tax\\_conferences/low\\_carbon/index\\_fr.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/taxation/gen_info/tax_conferences/low_carbon/index_fr.htm)

ou contacter Mme Adela Tesarova  
Commission européenne

Direction générale de la Fiscalité et de l'union douanière - courriel: [taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu](mailto:taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu)

### Langues

L'interprétation simultanée sera assurée au départ de et vers l'allemand, l'anglais et le français.

### Droits d'inscription

L'inscription à la conférence est gratuite.

### Voyage et hébergement

L'organisation ainsi que les frais de voyage et d'hébergement des participants sont à leur charge. Ces frais ne seront pas remboursés par la Commission européenne. Des renseignements sur l'hébergement à Bruxelles sont disponibles sur les sites suivants: [www.opt.be](http://www.opt.be)

[www.bnb-brussels.be](http://www.bnb-brussels.be)

### Déjeuner-buffet

Le lundi 30 novembre 2009, la Commission européenne invite les participants à un déjeuner buffet.

### Organisation

Commission européenne  
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### Protection des données à caractère personnel

Toute demande de participation à la conférence aura pour effet le traitement, par la Direction générale fiscalité et union douanière, de données à caractère personnel relatives au participant en conformité avec le Règlement (CE) N° 45/2001. En s'inscrivant, la personne concernée a donné son consentement pour le traitement des données à caractère personnel dans le contexte de la conférence. En regard des dispositions dudit règlement, il y a lieu de prendre en considération les précisions suivantes: responsable du traitement: Mme Sabine HENZLER, Chef d'unité «Relations avec les institutions, coordination interne, planification stratégique», DG TAXUD. Finalité du traitement des données à caractère personnel: permettre les actions nécessaires pour la participation à la conférence; servir comme base pour la liste des participants qui sera distribuée lors de la conférence et éventuellement publiée sur le site internet de la Commission européenne. Par ailleurs, les photos prises lors de la conférence seront éventuellement également publiées sur le site internet de la Commission européenne. Droit d'accès: les participants ont le droit d'accéder à leurs données; celles-ci sont conservées jusqu'à la prochaine conférence.

# Konferenzprogramm

Welches Steuersystem für eine kohlenstoffarme Wirtschaft?

# Vormittag

Montag, 30 November 2009

- 08.30 ANMELDUNG**
- 09.00 BEGRÜSSUNGSKAFFEE**
- 10.00 – 10.05 ERÖFFNUNG DER KONFERENZ**  
 durch **Walter Deffaa**, *Generaldirektor, Generaldirektion Steuern und Zollunion, Europäische Kommission*
- 10.05 – 10.20 ERÖFFNUNGSREDE**  
 von **László Kovács**, *EU-Kommissar für Steuern und Zollunion*
- 10.20 – 10.35 DAS ERREICHEN UNSERER KLIMAZIELE - DAS ERFORDERNIS DER KORREKTEN ZUSAMMENSTELLUNG VON INSTRUMENTEN,**  
**Karl Falkenberg**, *Generaldirektor, DG Umwelt, Europäische Kommission*
- 10.35 – 10.50 KOSTENWIRKSAME INSTRUMENTE FÜR EINE KOHLENSTOFFARME WIRTSCHAFT, DIE AUFGABE DES STEUERWESENS,**  
**Prof. Don Fullerton**, *University of Illinois*
- 10.50 – 12.15 PODIUMSDISKUSSION**  
 Vorsitz: **Don Fullerton**
- Diskussionsteilnehmer:
- Corinne Lepage**, *Mitglied des Europäischen Parlaments*
  - Prof. Paul Ekins**, *Professor der Energie- und Umweltpolitik, UCL Energy Institute, University College London*
  - Chris Lenon**, *Leiter des Steuerwesens weltweit, Rio Tinto, Vorsitzender der Green tax Group of Business Europe*
  - Elisabeth Nilsson**, *Präsidentin Jernkontoret, Vereinigung der schwedischen Stahlproduzenten*
- 12.15 – 12.30 OFFENE DISKUSSION UND SCHLUSSFOLGERUNGEN SEITENS DES VORSITZES**
- 12.30 – 14.00 MITTAGSBUFFET** für Teilnehmer

# Konferenzprogramm

## Welches Steuersystem für eine kohlenstoffarme Wirtschaft?

# Nachmittag

- 14.00 – 14.05 ERÖFFNUNG DER NACHMITTAGSVERANSTALTUNG**  
durch **Walter Deffaa**, Generaldirektor, Generaldirektion Steuern und Zollunion,  
Europäische Kommission
- 14.05 – 14.25 REDE DER EU-PRÄSIDENTSCHAFT:  
ARGUMENTE FÜR EINE CO2-BESTEuerung**  
**Ingemar Hansson**, Staatssekretär für Steuern, Schweden
- 14.25 – 14.45 DIE CO2-BESTEuerung:  
EIN MITTEL FÜR NACHHALTIGES WACHSTUM?**  
**Bernard Clerfayt**, Staatssekretär für Umweltsteuern,  
dem Finanzminister Belgiens angegliedert
- 14.45 – 15.05 EUROPAS BEITRAG ZU EINER AUSGEGLICHTENEN  
KOHLENSTOFFWELT**  
**Jacqueline McGlade**, Geschäftsführerin, Europäische Umweltagentur
- 15.05 – 15.15 FRAGERUNDE**
- 15.15 – 15.45 KAFFEPAUSE**
- 15.45 – 16.45 OFFENE DISKUSSION**  
Vorsitz: **Kai Schlegelmilch**, Vizepräsident GreenBudgetEurope
- 16.45 – 17.15 ABSCHLUSSVERANSTALTUNG UND NACHBEREITUNG**  
von **Ingemar Hansson**, Staatssekretär für Steuern, Schweden  
von **Walter Deffaa**, Generaldirektor, Generaldirektion Steuern und Zollunion,  
Europäische Kommission

# Konferenzprogramm

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# Praktische Hinweise

### Ort der Veranstaltung

Konferenzzentrum Charlemagne (CHAR) Saal GASP,  
Rue de la Loi, 170 – 1040 Brüssel, Belgien

### Erreichbarkeit des CHAR-Gebäudes

Metrostation Schuman: Linie 1 oder 5  
Bushaltestelle: Kreisverkehr Schuman: 22,28, 36  
Bahnhof: Schuman

### Empfangsbüro

Das Empfangsbüro steht den Teilnehmern wie folgt zur Verfügung:

Montag, 30. November 2009 von 08.30 bis 12.00 Uhr und von 14.00 bis 16.00.

### Anmeldung

Die Teilnehmer werden gebeten, sich zeitnah unter Nutzung des Anmeldeformulars auf nachfolgender Internetseite anzumelden: <https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/fmi/scic/taxation09/start.php>

Anmeldeschluß: 16 November 2009.

Nach Vervollständigung des Internetformulars erfolgt keine Bestätigung. Bitte notieren Sie sich ihre Anmelde Nummer. Alle Teilnehmer, die sich fristgerecht anmelden, erhalten eine Anmeldebestätigung per E-Mail, die im Empfangsbüro vorzuzeigen ist. Aufgrund der beschränkten Kapazitäten der Konferenzräume behalten sich die Dienststellen der Kommission das Recht vor, über diese Höchstgrenzen hinausgehende Anmeldungen nicht anzunehmen.

### Programm

Weitere Informationen über den Inhalt der Veranstaltung entnehmen Sie bitte der folgenden Internetseite:

[http://ec.europa.eu/taxation\\_customs/taxation/gen\\_info/tax\\_conferences/low\\_carbon/index\\_de.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/taxation_customs/taxation/gen_info/tax_conferences/low_carbon/index_de.htm)

Zusätzliche Kontaktadresse:

Frau Adela TESAROVA

Europäische Kommission - GD TAXUD

E-mail: [taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu](mailto:taxud-d2@ec.europa.eu)

### Konferenzsprachen

Simultandolmetschung erfolgt in Französisch, Englisch und Deutsch.

### Gebühren

Für die Teilnahme an der Konferenz wird keine

Einschreibgebühr erhoben.

### Anreise und Unterkunft

Die Teilnehmer werden gebeten, für Anreise und Unterbringung selbst Sorge zu tragen. Eine Kostenerstattung seitens der Europäischen Kommission erfolgt nicht.

Informationen über Übernachtungsmöglichkeiten in Brüssel erhalten Sie auf der nachfolgenden Internetseite:

[www.opt.be](http://www.opt.be)

[www.bnb-brussels.be](http://www.bnb-brussels.be)

### Mittagessen

Die Europäische Kommission lädt die Teilnehmer am Montag, 30. November 2009, zu einem Mittagssbuffet ein.

### Organisation

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### Schutz persönlicher Daten

Jede Anmeldung zur Teilnahme an der Konferenz hat die Verarbeitung personenbezogener Daten des Antragstellers durch die Generaldirektion Steuern und Zollunion gemäß der Verordnung (EG) Nr. 45/2001 zur Folge. Mit der Antragstellung willigt der Antragsteller automatisch in die Verarbeitung dieser Daten im Zusammenhang mit der Organisation dieser Konferenz ein.

Gemäß der Verordnung sollte folgendes zur Kenntnis genommen werden: Für die Datenverarbeitung Verantwortlicher: Frau Sabine HENZLER, Referatsleiterin, GD TAXUD, Interinstitutionelle Beziehungen, interne Koordination, strategische Planung. Zweck der Datenverarbeitung: um die Teilnahme des Antragstellers an der Konferenz organisatorisch zu ermöglichen, Aufnahme in die Teilnehmerliste, die auf der Konferenz verteilt und eventuell im Internet bereitgestellt wird. Zudem werden eventuell Fotos der Konferenz auf der Internetseite der Europäischen Kommission publiziert. Auskunftsrecht: Antragsteller haben das Recht auf Auskunft über ihre Daten. Diese Daten werden nur bis zur nächsten Konferenz gespeichert.

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## Liste der Redner und Podiumsteilnehmer



**BERNARD CLERFAYT,**

*State Secretary for environmental taxation,  
attached to the Minister for Finance*

Born in 1961, Bernard Clerfayt has been Mayor of Schaerbeek (one of the largest boroughs of Brussels) since 2001 and is currently Belgian State Secretary for Finance. He is also vice-president of the Front Démocratique des Francophones (FDF), a component of the “Mouvement Réformateur” (MR), the Belgian French-speaking liberal party.

Bernard Clerfayt received a Master’s degree in economics from Université Catholique de Louvain (UCL) in 1986 and then worked as a research assistant at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven’s (KUL) Centre for Economic Studies. After an internship at the International Monetary Fund in Washington, he joined IRES (Economic Analysis Service) at UCL. He pursued his career as a research and teaching assistant. He then obtained the chair of Macroeconomics and Political Economics at UCL, at Facultés Universitaires Catholiques de Mons and at Facultés Universitaires de Lille (1984-1997).

As far as his political career is concerned, Bernard Clerfayt joined the local FDF section in Schaerbeek, where he had moved to, in 1985. Ten years later, he became 2nd Deputy Mayor in Schaerbeek and finally Mayor in 2001. In June 1989, he was elected to the Brussels Parliament and was reelected in 1995, 1999 and 2004. He has held different posts such as Vice-president of the Brussels Regional Council and President of the Committee for Town and Country Planning and Land Policy. In 2007, Bernard Clerfayt was elected to the Belgian Chamber of Representatives and was appointed in 2008 as State Secretary for Finance with special responsibilities for modernizing the Department of Finance, environmental taxation and combating tax fraud.



**WALTER DEFFAA,**

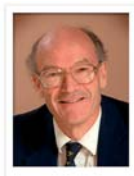
*Director General DG TAXUD,  
European Commission*

Walter Deffaa studied Economics at the Universities of Tübingen and TU Berlin. PhD in economics (University of Stuttgart-Hohenheim), he has been working since 1983 at the European Commission in Brussels where he is since June 2009 Director General for Taxation and Customs Union. He has previously served as Director General of the Internal Audit Service (2004-2009), as Finance Director in the Regional Policy DG (2003-2004), as Director in the Secretariat General (2001-2003), as Director in DG BUDGET (1999-2001) and as chef de cabinet for Commissioner Wulf-Mathies (1997-1999). He was a visiting Professor at the College of Europe in Brugge, Belgium (1999-2009) and has published many articles on the EC budget and audit.

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**PROF. PAUL EKINS,**

*Professor of Energy and Environment Policy,  
UCL Energy Institute, University College London*

Paul Ekins has a PhD in economics from the University of London and is Professor of Energy and Environment Policy at the UCL Energy Institute, University College London. He is a Co-Director of the UK Energy Research Centre, in charge of its Energy Systems theme, and also leads UCL's involvement in large research consortia on Bioenergy and Hydrogen. He is also Chairman of the National Industrial Symbiosis Programme (NISP), the UK's most effective initiative at promoting resource efficiency in industry, and the Director of the UK Green Fiscal Commission, which is exploring the prospects for and implications of large-scale environmental tax reform in the UK. In 1994 Paul Ekins received a Global 500 Award 'for outstanding environmental achievement' from the United Nations Environment Programme.

Paul Ekins' academic work focuses on the conditions and policies for achieving an environmentally sustainable economy, with a special focus on energy and climate policy, and the modelling of the energy system; on innovation; and on the role of economic instruments such as environmental taxes. He is the author of numerous papers and articles on environmental taxation and other sustainable development issues, including *Economic Growth and Environmental Sustainability: the Prospects for Green Growth* (Routledge, London, 2000), and has co-edited three forthcoming books on environmental taxes: *Carbon-Energy Taxation: Lessons from Europe* (Oxford University Press, Oxford), *Environmental Tax Reform: Resolving the Conflict Between Economic Growth and the Environment* (Oxford University Press, Oxford); and *Green Fiscal Reform for the UK: Tackling Climate Change, Creating Jobs* (Earthscan, London).



**KARL FALKENBERG,**

*Director general DG Environment,  
European Commission*

Karl Falkenberg has a long experience as a negotiator in the European Commission. He started his career in the Commission as textiles negotiator, has dealt with international fisheries issues and since 1985 with the GATT. In 1990, he served as foreign policy advisor to EU President Jacques Delors, with particular focus on the German unification process. He was involved in the Uruguay Round negotiations and has been negotiating the telecommunications and financial services agreements in WTO. From 1997 to December 2000 he was in charge of the coordination of all WTO issues. In 2001 he was appointed Director in charge of sectoral trade policies and bilateral trade relations with North America, Japan, the Mediterranean area and the African, Caribbean and Pacific countries and in 2002 Director for Free trade agreements, Agricultural trade questions, ACP. From 2005 to 2008 he coordinated all bilateral trade policies as Deputy Director General. In January 2009, he took up the position of Director General of the Environment, covering the EU's environmental policy in both its domestic and international dimensions.

Karl Falkenberg is a trained economist and journalist.

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**PROF. DON FULLERTON,**  
*University of Illinois*

Don Fullerton received a BA from Cornell in 1974 and a PhD in Economics from U.C. Berkeley in 1978. He taught at Princeton University (1978-84), the University of Virginia (1984-91), Carnegie Mellon University (1991-94) and the University of Texas (1994-2008), before joining the University of Illinois in 2008. From 1985 to 1987, he served in the U.S. Treasury Department as Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tax Analysis. He is currently Editor of the *Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*. Also, for the National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), he is Director of the research program on Environmental and Energy Economics.

His early research in public economics focused on computable general equilibrium models of taxation, marginal effective tax rates, the marginal cost of public funds, and distributional effects of taxes on a lifetime basis. Recent research includes the distributional effects of social security. In environmental and energy economics, he works on household disposal of garbage and recycling, policies for green design, vehicle emission control policies, carbon taxes, and other second-best policies in the energy sector where direct environmental taxes are not feasible.



**INGMAR HANSSON,**  
*State Secretary for Tax issues,  
Ministry of Finance, Sweden*

Ingemar Hansson is State Secretary to the Swedish Minister for Finance, Anders Borg, and is responsible for tax issues. Mr. Hansson is Professor of Economics at Lund University.

1974-1987: Teacher and researcher at the Department of Economics at Lund University, member of the Swedish Economic Research Council at the Centre for Business and Policy Studies.

1987-1989: Secretary of the Ministry of Finance inquiry into reformed income taxation.

1989-1992: Head of the Division for Tax Economics at the Ministry of Finance.

1992-1999: Head of the Economics Affairs Division at the Ministry of Finance.

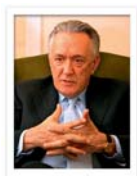
1999-2006: Director-General at the National Institute of Economic Research.

Since October 2006: State Secretary for Tax Issues, Ministry of Finance.

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**LÁSZLÓ KOVÁCS,**  
*EU Commissioner for taxation*

László Kovács is a Member of the European Commission, Commissioner for Tax and Customs Policy since 2004. He held the post of Foreign Minister of Hungary from 1994 to 1998 and again from 2002 to 2004. He was Member of the Hungarian Parliament from 1990 to 2004, Chairman of its Foreign Affairs Committee in 1993 and 1994. Earlier in his career he was Deputy Foreign Minister and State Secretary. Commissioner Kovács is a graduate of the University of Economic Sciences of Budapest.



**CHRIS LENON,**  
*Global Head of Tax, Rio Tinto Plc*

Chris Lenon has been the Global Head of Tax of Rio Tinto Group since 1993 and is responsible for a global tax team of 90. Prior to joining Rio Tinto, Chris was Head of Tax at APV plc and also held various roles with UK Inland Revenue, including three years in the Oil Taxation Office.

Chris holds a BA (Hons) in History from Trinity College, Cambridge and is currently Chairman of the CBI International Tax Committee and acting Chairman of the CBI Tax Committee. Chris is currently chairman designate of the BIAC Tax Bureau and Tax Committee. He is a member of both the Fiscal Committee of the International Business Advisory Committee (BIAC) to the OECD and a Vice-Chair of its Bureau with responsibility for Transfer Pricing and Green Taxes. He is a member of the Tax Policy Group of Business Europe and chairs the Green Tax Group of Business Europe.

In recent years Chris has had an active participation in the following international tax issues:

- BIAC lead on OECD project on taxation aspects of Tradable Permits
- BIAC presentation to OECD Conference on the Economics of Climate Change
- Chair of the Business Europe Green Tax Committee – principle activity has been discussions with European Commission on proposed Energy Tax Directive revision including energy and CO2 taxes.

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**CORINNE LEPAGE,**  
*Member of the European Parliament*

Députée au Parlement Européen depuis juin 2009, Corinne Lepage est vice-présidente de la commission environnement, santé publique, sécurité alimentaire, elle est suppléante dans la commission industrie, recherche et énergie. Elle siège au sein du groupe ADLE.

Avocate depuis 1975, Corinne Lepage conçoit et réalise des procès internationaux (Amoco Cadiz, pollution du Rhin, pollution de la Méditerranée).

Ministre de l'environnement de mai 1995 à juin 1997, Corinne Lepage a souhaité mettre la politique d'environnement au cœur des politiques publiques. A ce titre, une stratégie du développement durable au niveau national a été établie et le ministre a participé et organisé de nombreuses réunions internationales (G7 environnement, préparation de la session spéciale de la CSD, élaboration de la stratégie nationale du développement durable présentée à New York en avril 1997).



**PROF. JACQUELINE MCGLADE,**  
*Executive director,*  
*European Environment Agency*

Professor McGlade became Executive Director of the European Environment Agency on 1 June 2003. Prior to this she held academic positions in Europe and North America, focusing her research on spatial data analysis and informatics, climate change, scenario development and the international politics of the environment and natural resources. In addition to lecturing globally, she has published more than 100 research papers and presented and appeared in numerous radio and television programmes, including her own BBC series The Ocean Planet and Learning from Nature.

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**ELISABETH NILSSON,**  
*President, Jernkontoret,  
 the Swedish Steel Producers Association*

2005- President of Jernkontoret , The Swedish Steel Producers Association  
 2003-2005 General Manager production SSAB Plate  
 2001-2003 Managing Director SSAB Merox  
 1997-2001 Manager Dep. Of Environment , Health and Safety SSAB Plate  
 Board member of research company Swerea 2006-  
 Boar member of Eurofer 2006-  
 Member of the Globalisation council 2007-2009 appointed by the Swedish government  
 Board member of the Swedish Maritime administration 1996-2006  
 Board member of Euromaint AB 2004-2007  
 Chairman of the Foundation of Metallurgical Research 2005-  
 Chairman of the Research Foundation Hugo Carlsson 2006-  
 Chairman Svenska Bergsmannaföreningen 2007-2009 ( Society of Swedish engineers of metallurgical and mining sciences)  
 Member of the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Science 2007-  
 Ms of Science 1977 Luleå Technical University Mining and Minerals processing



**KAI SCHLEGELMILCH,**  
*Vice President of Green Budget Europe*

After his diploma in political economics in 1993, he was research fellow at the Wuppertal Institute for Climate, Environment and Energy, in 1996/1997 at the European Environment Agency in Copenhagen/Denmark. In 1998 he was scientific advisor to Ernst von Weizsäcker, MP of German Bundestag and the Green Party's group. In 1999, he joined the Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Protection and Nuclear Safety as desk officer on energy and climate policy, particularly on environmental tax and fiscal reform. In 2006/2007 he contributed to the coordination of the German EU-Presidency in the EU division. Since 2007 he joined the division on Hydro/Wind energy/Grid integration of renewable energy. Since mid 2008 he reduced his working time for the Ministry and – on behalf of the German development agency GTZ - advises the China Council on International Cooperation on Environment and Development (CCICED) as International Coordinator of the "Task Force for Energy Efficiency and the Environment" and the Vietnamese Finance Ministry regarding the implementation of an Environment Tax/Fiscal Reform.

In his spare time he is Vice-President of "Green Budget Germany" ([www.foes.de](http://www.foes.de)), a NGO he co-founded i.a. with Professor Ernst Ulrich von Weizsäcker in 1994. Its aim is to promote the increased use of market-based instruments. GBG has been hosting the Global Conference on Environmental Taxation in Munich in October 2007 and GBG launched Green Budget Europe successfully in September 2008 in Brussels.



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