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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. Welcome and Opening Dinner GRAND HOTEL PLAZA VIA DEL CORSO, 126

> **Stefano Silvestri**, Scientific Advisor, Institute of International Affairs (Italy) **Stewart Patrick**, Senior Fellow and Director, International Institutions and Global Governance Program, Council on Foreign Relations (United States) **Domenico Lombardi**, Director, Global Economy Program, Center for International Governance Innovation (Canada)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2013

- 8:45 9:15 a.m. REGISTRATION AND WELCOME COFFEE
- *9:15 9:30 a.m.* **OPENING ADDRESSES**

Michele Valensise, Secretary General, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italy)

Ferdinando Nelli Feroci, President, Institute of International Affairs (Italy)

9:30 – 11:00 a.m. Session One THE EUROPEAN CRISIS: THE EUROZONE'S FUTURE AND THE EUROPEAN UNION'S ROLE IN GLOBAL GOVERNANCE

Guiding Questions: How is the EU economy performing? How critical is the Eurozone to the stability of the global economy? How can the EU maintain influence in a changing global economic order? How effectively can the EU still use its soft power on global political and security issues?

SpeakersLorenzo Bini Smaghi, President, SNAM (Italy)Steven Blockmans, Senior Research Fellow and Head of the EU Foreign
Policy Unit, Centre for European Policy Studies (Belgium)Susan Schadler, Senior Fellow, Centre for International Governance
Innovation (Canada)Ulrike Gueròt, Senior Policy Fellow and Representative for Germany,
European Council on Foreign Relations (Germany)

Moderator Ettore Greco, Director, Institute of International Affairs (Italy)

11:00 – 11:15 a.m. Coffee Break

THE TRANSATLANTIC TRADE AND INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP, THE TRANS-PACIFIC PARTNERSHIP, AND THE FUTURE OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Guiding Questions: Does the growing trend of bilateral/plurilateral free trade agreements undermine the role of the WTO? Will this shift cause universal trade agreements to be ineffectual? Does the TPP offer a credible model for a future region-wide free trade agreement in Asia? Is the TTIP the first step toward global-level regulatory standards in trade and investment?

SpeakersGianpaolo Bruno, Director, Strategic Planning, Economic Research,
Overseas, Italian Trade Agency (Italy)Andrea Renda, Senior Research Fellow, Centre for European Policy Studies,
Brussels, and Head, Global Outlook, Institute of International Affairs
(Belgium/Italy)Lia Valls, Senior Researcher, Getulio Vargas Foundation (Brazil)
Jaime Zabludovsky, President, Mexican Council on Foreign Relations
(Mexico)

Moderator Marta Dassù, Deputy Minister, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italy)

- 12:45 2:00 p.m. Lunch
- 2:00 3:30 p.m. Session Three TRANSFORMATION IN THE ARAB WORLD: THE ROLE OF REGIONAL AND GLOBAL INSTITUTIONS

Guiding Questions: Where are the main flashpoints, and how can regional and global institutions deliver effective responses? What are the prospects for promoting regional cooperation through the Arab League? How can regional or global institutions ensure that legal frameworks are put in place to uphold human rights in emerging Arab democracies? What role should regional and global institutions play in the crisis in Syria?

- SpeakersFrancesc Badia i Dalmases, General Manager and Senior Fellow,
Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (Spain)
Nathalie Tocci, Deputy Director, Institute of International Affairs (Italy)
Hassan Abouyoub, Ambassador of Morocco to Italy (Morocco)
- *Moderator Charles Powell*, Director, EU Crisis, Mediterranean Politics, Elcano Royal Institute (Spain)
- 3:30 3:45 p.m. Coffee Break
- 3:45 5:15 p.m.Session FourTHE BRICS: WHAT CONTRIBUTION DO THEY GIVE TO GLOBAL GOVERNANCE?

	Guiding Questions: What are the strategic priorities of the BRICS in addressing global challenges? On what issues are they united, and where can we expect divergent interest and views? In what areas is there scope for effective cooperation and leadership and where could there be friction? What are the key challenges to the BRICS' economic, political, and security relationships with Europe and the United States?
Speakers	<i>Giovanni Grevi</i> , Director, Foundation for International Relations and Foreign Dialogue (Spain) <i>Zhang Haibing</i> , Executive Director, Institute for Economic Comparative Studies, Shanghai Institutes for International Studies (China) <i>Catherine Grant-Makokera</i> , Head, Economic Diplomacy Programme, South African Institute of International Affairs (South Africa)
Moderator	Domenico Lombardi , Director, Global Economy Program, Centre for International Governance Innovation (Canada)
8:00 – 10:30 p.m.	DINNER PALAZZO RONDINI VIA DEL CORSO, 518
	Keynote Speech Will Italy Be Able to Re-launch Its Economy?
	Enrico Giovannini, Minister, Ministry of Labor and Social Policies (Italy)
	Q&A
Moderator	James M. Lindsay, Senior Vice President, Director of Studies, and Maurice R. Greenberg Chair, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)
	TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2013
8:30 – 9:00 a.m.	Welcome Coffee
9:00 – 10:00 a.m.	Keynote Speech International Monetary Cooperation and the Future of the Euro
	Ignazio Visco, Governor, Bank of Italy
	Q&A
Moderator	Stefano Silvestri , Scientific Advisor, Institute of International Affairs (Italy)

10:00 – 11:30 a.m. Session Five THE GEOPOLITICS OF ENERGY: THE EUROPEAN CASE

Guiding Questions: What are the primary objectives of the EU's energy security policy? How are changes in the global energy dimension—the shale gas revolution, growing competition for resources, political revolutions in and problems with supply countries—affecting the EU? Is the EU-Russia energy relationship becoming more or less balanced? Is Europe successfully meeting its climate change goals with renewable energy?

- SpeakersPaolo Andrea Colombo, Chairman, Enel (Italy)Bola Akinterinwa, Director-General, Nigerian Institute of InternationalAffairs (Nigeria)Thomas Gomart, Vice President for Strategic Development and Director of
the Russia/NIS Centre, French Institute of International Relations (France)
- ModeratorJames M. Lindsay, Senior Vice President, Director of Studies, and Maurice R.Greenberg Chair, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)
- 11:30 11:45 a.m. Coffee Break

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. Session Six THE FUTURE OF THE GROUP OF TWENTY

Guiding Questions: What structural changes should the G20 undertake to increase legitimacy and effectiveness as a global decision-making body? Should the G20 expand its remit beyond finance to tackle deadlocks on pressing global challenges? On what issues should the G20 cooperate with the UN and non-G20 members?

SpeakersMichael Fullilove, Executive Director, Lowy Institute for International Policy
(Australia)
Sergey Kulik, Director, Institute of Contemporary Development (Russia)
Mehmud Karakullukçu, Vice Chairman and President, Global Relations
Forum (Turkey)
Andrés Rozental, Founding President, Mexican Council on Foreign Relations
(Mexico)ModeratorStewart M. Patrick, Senior Fellow and Director, International Institutions
and Global Governance Program, Council on Foreign Relations (United
States)

1:15 – 1:30 p.m. Keynote Speech

Emma Bonino, Minister, Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Italy)

1:30 – 1:45 р.т. **СLOSING REMARKS**

 Stefano Silvestri, Scientific Advisor, Institute of International Affairs (Italy)
James M. Lindsay, Senior Vice President, Director of Studies, and Maurice R.
Greenberg Chair, Council on Foreign Relations (United States)

1:45 – 2:30 p.m. Buffet Lunch

The dinner on the first day of the conference is sponsored by IAI and CIGI. The dinner on the second day is sponsored by CFR.

PARTICIPANT BIOS

Hassan Abouyoub

Mr. Hassan Abouyoub was born in 1952. After studying in Lyon (France), he was recruited by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry of Morocco and became Director of International Trade in 1980. In this position, Mr. Abouyoub conceived and implemented Morocco's trade policy reform. He led Morocco's accession to GATT and its trade negotiations with the European Community. He also participated in the Uruguay Round negotiations as a chairman of the textiles group.

Between 1990 and 1993, Mr. Abouyoub was Minister of External Trade and of Foreign Investment and Tourism. He took part in the conclusion of the Uruguay Round and in the organization of the Marrakesh Ministerial Conference. Mr. Abouyoub was elected Member of Parliament in 1993 and appointed Ambassador to Saudi Arabia in 1994.

As Minister of Agriculture, from 1995 to 1997, Mr. Abouyoub implemented Morocco's WTO commitments on agriculture and negotiated with the European Union a fishing agreement and the Euro-Mediterranean agreement establishing a free trade zone with Morocco. In 1998, Mr. Abouyoub became Ambassador in charge of trade negotiations. During this period he was candidate to WTO Director General position. Between 1999 and 2011 he was appointed as H.M the King Mohammed VI Ambassador to France, Italy, the Republic of San Marino, the Republic of Malta, the Republic of Albania and Ambassador at large. In May 2010, he was appointed as Permanent Representative of Morocco to FAO, IFAD and WFP.

Bola A. Akinterinwa

Professor Bola A. Akinterinwa is a Sorbonnard. He read International Studies at the School of Advanced International Studies, Paris 6è; International Law, at the Institute of Advanced International Studies of the University of Paris 2; and Contemporary International Relations and Diplomatic History, at the University of Paris 1, Panthéon-Sorbonne, France. He obtained his degrees with distinctions. An Embassy Translator at the Embassy of Nigeria, Paris, in 1984, and a Ford Foundation Fellow at the University of Maryland Foreign Policy Process in 1989, he has, since 1985, been a Research Fellow at the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, Lagos, where he has, at various times, received three special Letters of Commendation from the Management of the Institute, for his scholarship and patriotic activities. Professor Akinterinwa served as Special Assistant to two Ministers of Foreign Affairs, and Minister of Interior between 2003 and March 2010. He is a member of several Professional organisations, including the Nigerian Society of International Affairs, of which he was treasurer, Nigerian Society of International Law, of which he was formerly an Assistant Secretary, Nigerian Political Science Association, and African Association of Political Science. He was former Editorial Page Editor of, and a Monday Columnist with, ThisDay Newspapers. He also writes a Sunday Column (Vie Internationale) for ThisDay Newspapers since 2007. At the NIIA, he was Member of the Editorial Board, from 1989 to 1994, and Editor, from 1994 to 1999, of the Nigerian Journal of International Affairs. He is author of five books, editor of ten books, and over fifty chapters in books and articles in learned and reputable journals of international affairs. He is the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the Celestial Church of Christ Worldwide and a recipient of the Ile-Oluji National Merit Award (inma), and a Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs, fniia. He was Acting Director General from November 16, 2010 to November 16, 2011 and since then the Director General of the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA).

Emma Bonino

National Political Career: Emma Bonino was elected for the first time to the Chamber of Deputies on the Radical Party ticket at the age of 28, was re-elected in 1979, 1983, 1987, 1992, 1994 and 2006; appointed President of the Parliamentary group and Secretary to the President of the Chamber of Deputies; was Vice-Chair of the Senate during the 16th Legislature (2008-2013). As a radical activist in the 1970s and 80s, she sponsored a series of referendums, one of which introduced abortion legislation in Italy and one that opposed nuclear power plants in Italy. She was appointed Minister for International Trade and European Policies in the second Prodi government in 2006.

European and International Political Career: Minister Bonino was Founder and Secretary in 1978 of the association Food and Disarmament International, which launched the international campaign against world hunger based on the Nobel Laureate-issued Humanist Manifesto. She was elected in 1979 to the European Parliament and re-elected in 1984,1999 and 2004. Lived in Cairo from 2002 and 2004 where she studied the Arabic language and managed the Arab press roundup for Radio Radicale. From 1990 to 2002 she was a promoter of international campaigns on behalf of ad hoc tribunals against war crimes in the former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, the establishment of an international criminal court and a moratorium on the death penalty – a moratorium endorsed by the UN General Assembly in 2007; and is among the founders of NGOs "Nessuno Tocchi Caino" and "Non c'è Pace senza Giustizia". She was Transnational Radical Party President from 1991 to 1993 and Secretary from 1993 to 1994, and was named European Commissioner Humanitarian Aid, Fisheries, Consumer Policy and Consumer Health Protection in 1994, the scope of which activity was extended to Food Safety in 1997. She was Appointed Italian government representative to the Intergovernmental Conferences of the Community of Democracies in Seoul in November 2002 and in Santiago del Chile in April 2005, and led the Italian Delegation to the Third Ministerial Conference of the Community of Democracies in April 2005. She headed European Union electoral observer missions to Ecuador in 2002 and Afghanistan in 2005; launched a campaign against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) during the same period, which led to a UN resolution for a universal ban on the practise in December 2012.

Emma Bonino is a member of the International Crisis Group (ICG), the Board of the Open Society Initiative for Europe (OSIFE), the Board of the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) and the International Affairs Institute (IAI) Steering Committee; she is also seated on the Independent Commission on Turkey (ICT) chaired by former Finnish Premier and Nobel Peace Prize winner Martti Ahtisaari. She has also been the recipient of numerous awards, some examples of which include the Prince of Asturias Award for international cooperation in 1998, the Award of the President of the Republic in 2003 for her commitment to promoting human and civil rights around the world, and the Atlantic Council Freedom Award in 2012. She has been a Commander in the French Legion of Honour since 2009.

Paolo Andrea Colombo

A 1984 graduate with honors of the "Bocconi" University in Milan with a degree in business economics, where he was tenured professor from 1989 until 2010 of accounting and financial statements and where he is currently tenured senior contract professor. He is a founding partner of Colombo & Associati, an Italian independent consulting company which offers a broad range of

services in corporate finance and business consultancy to Italian and international clients. He held has been member of the boards of directors of several significant industrial and financial companies, which include Eni, Saipem, Telecom Italia Mobile, Pirelli Pneumatici, Publitalia '80 (Mediaset Group), RCS Quotidiani, RCS Libri, RCS Broadcast e Fila Holding (RCS Mediagroup), Sias, Interbanca e Aurora (Unipol Group). Furthermore, he held the office of chairman of the board of statutory auditors of Saipem, Stream and Ansaldo STS, and of member of the board of statutory auditors of Winterthur and Credit Suisse Italy, Banca Intesa, Lottomatica, Montedison, Techint Finanziaria, HDPNet and Internazionale F.C. Currently, he is director of Mediaset and Versace, and chairman of the board of statutory auditors of A. Moratti S.a.p.a. and of Humanitas Mirasole. He is also deputy Chairman of the Italy-China Foundation, a member of the management board and council of Confindustria, a member of the management board of Assonime and Assolombarda, member of the Board of Directors of ISPI, as well member of the board of prelations between Italy and the United States. He has been Chairman of Enel's Board of Directors since May 2011.

Francesc Badia i Dalmases

Francesc Badia i Dalmases is the general manager and a senior fellow of the Barcelona Centre for International Affairs (CIDOB). Previously he has served as the director of the Office of Coordination and Orientation of the URB-AL Programme of the European Commission and as executive manager of the European Institute of the Mediterranean. He worked as senior advisor for the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation and was director of the EuroMed Regions conference in the Department of International Relations of the government of Catalonia. He was also dialogues coordinator and spokesperson at the Universal Forum of Cultures and general coordinator of the Interarts Foundation. He worked for fifteen years as an international consultant, specializing in emerging and transition economies, and his interests include global governance, international networks and international action carried out by local and regional governments. Badia, who completed his studies at the Diplomatic School in Madrid, holds an MA from the Open University of Catalonia and an MA from the University of Barcelona.

Lorenzo Bini Smaghi

Lorenzo Bini Smaghi has a PhD in Economics from the University of Chicago. From June 2005 to November 2011 he was a member of the Executive Committee of the European Central Bank. Before that, he served as Director General of the Directorate of International Financial Relations of Italy's Ministry of Economy and Finance (1998-2005), head of the Analysis and Planning Division of the European Monetary Institute in Frankfurt (1988), head of the Exchange Rate and International Trade Division of the Research Department of the Bank of Italy (1988-1994). He is currently Chairman of Snam S.p.A. and Visiting Scholar at Harvard's Weatherhead Center for International Affairs.

Steven Blockmans

Steven Blockmans is senior research fellow and head of the EU foreign policy unit of the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS). His expertise lies at the crossroads of international and EU law and governance. He has published widely on the institutional structures for EU external action, the Union's role in global governance, norm promotion (inside out) and norm absorption (outside in), CFSP, CSDP, enlargement, ENP, trade and development. Steven is a Professor of EU External Relations Law and Governance at the University of Amsterdam (part-time), a visiting professor at the University of Leuven, and one of the founding members of the Centre for the Law of EU

External Relations (CLEER). He holds a PhD in law from Leiden University.

Marta Dassù

Marta Dassù was appointed Deputy Minister on 27 March 2013. She was Director General for International Activities of Aspen Institute Italia until her appointment as Under-Secretary on 27/11/2011. She remains Editor-in-Chief of the journal "Aspenia". She has sat on the Scientific Committee of Confindustria and of the Trilateral Commission. She sits on the Board of Directors of IAI (Istituto Affari Internazionali) in Rome, the Turin-based Centro di Alti Studi sulla Cina contemporanea, Rome's Istituto di Studi diplomatici, and IISS (International Institute for Strategic Studies) in London. She headed the "Strategic Reflection Group" of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs from 2006 to 2007 and was International Relations Advisor to Prime Ministers Massimo D'Alema and Giuliano Amato. She was inducted into the Légion d'Honneur in 2003. In 2013 she was awarded the Grand Cross 2nd Class of Merit from the Republic of Germany. She taught International Relations at Rome's "La Sapienza" University in 2001 and 2002. She is an editorial contributor to daily newspaper "La Stampa". She has written or edited various studies and essays on international relations, among which "The Reform Decade in China: from Hope to Dismay" (Kegan Paul International, London), and is the author of "Mondo privato e altre storie" (Bollati Boringhieri, 2009).

Michael Fullilove

He has been associated with the Lowy Institute since its establishment. He wrote the feasibility study for the Institute in 2002 and has served as the Director of its Global Issues Program since 2003. He has also worked as a Visiting Fellow in Foreign Policy at the Brookings Institution in Washington, DC, an adviser to Prime Minister Paul Keating, and a lawyer. He remains a Nonresident Senior Fellow at Brookings.

Dr Fullilove writes widely on Australian foreign policy, US foreign policy and global issues in publications including *The New York Times*, *Financial Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Daily Beast*, *The Washington Quarterly*, *The National Interest* and *Foreign Affairs*, as well as the Australian press. He is a sought-after media commentator and speaker, in Australia and abroad, appearing on programs such as *Radio National Breakfast*, *Lateline*, and the *Charlie Rose Show*. He graduated in arts and law from the Universities of Sydney and New South Wales, with dual university medals. He also studied as a Rhodes Scholar at the University of Oxford, where he took a master's degree and a doctorate in international relations.

Dr Fullilove's first book, 'Men and Women of Australia!' Our Greatest Modern Speeches, was published by Vintage. He is the co-editor, with Anthony Bubalo, of *Reports from a Turbulent Decade* (Viking), an anthology of the Lowy Institute's best work. His new book, *Rendezvous with Destiny: How Franklin D. Roosevelt and Five Extraordinary Men Took America into the War and into the World*, was published in Australia and the United States in 2013 by Penguin.

Enrico Giovannini

Starting from April 2013 he is the Italian Minister of Labour and Social Policies. From August 2009 to April 2013 he was President of Italian Statistical Institute (Istat). He was President of the Statistical Advisory Board for the Human Development Report of the United Nations, Member of the Partnership Group of the European Statistical Committee and Chairman of the Board of the World Bank International Project for the measurement of purchasing power parity.

From January 2001 to July 2009, he was Chief Statistician and Director of the Statistics Directorate of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) in Paris, where he designed and implemented a thorough reform of the statistical system, organised the "World Forum on "Statistics, Knowledge and Politics" and launched the Global Project on the "Measurement of Progress in Society".

He has authored numerous publications and has been a member of important national and international committees, such as the Stiglitz-Sen-Fitoussi Committee, established by the French President Nikolas Sarkozy. He also was President of the Global Council of the World Economic Forum on the "Evaluation of Societal Progress".

For his work on the measurement of social welfare, in 2010, he was awarded the Gold Medal of the President of the Republic by the Pio Manzù International Centre and became a member of the Club of Rome. He is full professor of statistical economics at University of Rome "Tor Vergata".

Thomas Gomart

Dr. Thomas Gomart (Ph.D in History at Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne, and EMBA at HEC) is both the vice-president for strategic development and the director of the Russia/NIS Centre at Ifri (French Institute of International Relations based in Paris and Brussels). He is the editor of the trilingual electronic collection Russie.Nei.Vision: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russie.NEI.Visions_in_English.

Gomart's academic and professional background has been closely related to post-Soviet space. As Lavoisier Fellow at the State Institute for International Relations (University-MGIMO – Moscow), Visiting Fellow at the Institute for Security Studies (European Union – Paris) and Marie Curie Fellow at Department of War Studies (King's College – London), Gomart has acquired a diversified international experience. He lectured on international affairs at the Special Military School of Saint-Cyr Coëtquidan (2002-2010). Gomart belongs to the editorial boards of Politique étrangère, and La Revue des deux mondes. Other publications by Thomas Gomart: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas Gomart

Catherine Grant Makokera

Ms. Grant Makokera was a diplomat for New Zealand for over 10 years and was posted in New York, Geneva and Pretoria, where she held the position of Deputy High Commissioner. She has participated in United Nations and World Trade Organization negotiations. Ms. Grant Makokera also worked as a consultant on trade and development matters before joining Business Unity South Africa in April 2007 as Executive Director: Trade Policy. Her portfolio at BUSA included trade negotiations, trade and investment promotion activities, international relations and trade policy matters. She represented BUSA at NEDLAC on trade and other related issues. Ms. Grant Makokera was the Secretary of the SADC Employers Group and SADC Business Forum from 2007 to 2010 and continues to support efforts towards strengthening private sector participation in regional and trade policy debates. She is currently the Programme Head Economic Diplomacy at the South African Institute of International Affairs. Here Ms Grant Makokera is responsible for managing a research and networking programme on trade, investment, global economic governance and regional integration.

Ettore Greco

Ettore Greco is Director of the IAI and also heads the transatlantic program of the institute. He worked as visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution from January 2006 to July 2007. He taught at

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He is the author of a number of publications on the EU's institutions and foreign policy, transatlantic relations and the Balkans. He has been a free-lance journalist since 1988.

Giovanni Grevi

Giovanni Grevi is director of FRIDE, where he worked as senior researcher and head of the Brussels office since 2010. Before joining FRIDE, Giovanni served as senior research fellow at the EU Institute for Security Studies (EUISS) in Paris between 2005 and 2010. Prior to that, he worked at the European Policy Centre in Brussels as policy analyst (1998 to 2002) and as associate director of studies (2002-2005). He holds an MSc from the London School of Economics (LSE) and a PhD from the Université Libre de Bruxelles.

At FRIDE, his research focuses on EU foreign policy, EU partnerships with the US and emerging countries, the reform of global governance, EU security and defence policy and foresight projects. Previous publications and major research projects include 'The new global puzzle: what world for the EU in 2025?' (2006, co-directed with N. Gnesotto); 'The interpolar world: a new scenario' (2009); 'European Security and Defence Policy: the first ten years 1999-2009' (co-edited with D. Keohane and D. Helly, 2009); and 'Global governance 2025: at a critical juncture' (EUISS – US National Intelligence Council, 2010).

Ulrike Guérot

Ulrike Guérot is a Senior Policy Fellow of the European Council on Foreign Relations since 2011. From July 2007 until 2011 she built up the German branch of the ECFR in Berlin as Head of Office. Since 2010 she has been leading the Germany in Europe project and is now particularly active in the Reinvention of Europe programme.

Previously she was Senior Transatlantic Fellow with the German Marshall Fund (2004-2007), and headed the European Union unit at the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP) in Berlin (2000-2003). Ulrike also worked in the US as Assistant Professor on European studies at Johns Hopkins University and Scholar at Deutsches Haus, New York University. Furthermore she was Senior Research Fellow with Jacques Delors at Notre Europe in Paris, and staff member of the German Bundestag's Commission on External Affairs.

She has been publishing extensively on European and transatlantic issues in a variety of journals and newspapers, and is frequently invited to comment on EU issues in the media. She was also awarded the prestigious "Ordre du Mérite" for her engagement on European integration.

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2007 to 2010. Previously, Mr. Karakullukçu was the Founding Managing Director of Istanbul's leading science park, Istanbul Technical University (ITU) ARI Teknokent, currently an innovation community of over one hundred technology companies. During this period, Mr. Karakullukçu also served as the senior advisor to the President of ITU, the coordinator of the Law Technology and Policy programme and the strategic advisor at the university's Center for Satellite Communications. He was a member of the academic staff at the ITU. Earlier in his career, he worked as a specialist in structured finance at the London and Istanbul offices of an international investment bank. His previous academic work includes research commissioned by the IMF and the World Bank on the dynamics of debt markets. He has presented his work on technology and innovation policy at various international fora. Mr. Karakullukçu received his B.S. in Electrical Engineering and in Economics at MIT, his MSc in Finance at the LSE and his J.D. at Columbia University. He is a member of the New York State Bar.

Sergey Kulik

Sergey Kulik is the director for international development at the Institute of Contemporary Development. He is also a member of the scientific council of the Security Council of the Russian Federation and the Council for Foreign and Defense Policy. His former positions include director of the department for relations with the EU, office of the Russian president; deputy director of the foreign policy department of the Russian president; head of the arms control center at the Institute for U.S. and Canadian Studies, Russian Academy of Sciences; and project leader at the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI).

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Nae-Young Lee

Nae-Young Lee is a professor of Political Science Dept. at Korea University and director of Center for Public Opinion Research of the East Asia Institute. Professor Lee is also the Director of the Asiatic Research Institute at Korea University. Professor Lee received both his B.A. and M.A. from Korea University and received his Ph.D. in political science from University of Wisconsin-Madison. He served as a MacArthur fellow of Global Studies Program at University of Wisconsin-Madison, research fellow at Sejong Institute, and visiting scholar in the Warter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center at Stanford University. He has been a columnist to major newspapers in Korea and he is currently a Vice President of the Korean Association of International Studies. His research interests are Korean politics, electoral politics, public opinion, and East Asian political economy. Professor Lee received his Ph.D. in Political Science from University of Wisconsin-Madison.

He published several books and numerous articles. His recent publications include "Koreans, Who are We: Exploring Korean Identity by Public Opinion Survey" (Seoul: the East Asia Institute, 2011), "Changing Korean Voters" (Seoul: the East Asia Institute, 2011), "The Source of Ideological Conflict in Korea: Polarization of Public or Polarization of Political Elite?," Review of Party Politics, Vol. 10, No. 2 (2011), "Conceptualization and Measurement of Soft Power in East Asia," in Sook Jong Lee and Jan Melissen, eds. Public Diplomacy and Soft Power in East Asia (New York, Palgrave, 2011), "The Automobile Industry," in Byung-Kook Kim & Ezra Vogel. eds. The Park Chung Hee Era: The Transformation of South Korea (Cambridge, Harvard University Press, 2011). "Are Voters Rational or Rationalizing?: Voters' Ideology and Candidate Choice," Korean Political Science Review, Vol. 43, No.3 (September 2010), "Is Rising China Threat or Opportunity?: Analysis of Cross-National Opinion Survey,"Jungso Yeonku, Vol. 31, No. 2 (June 2007).

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