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Prof Sven Biscop, Egmont Institute

Director of the Europe in the World Programme, Egmont Institute / Chair of the PhD Prize Jury

Prof. Dr. Sven Biscop (°1976) completed his degree in political sciences/public administration at Ghent University (Belgium) by winning the best thesis award for his work on European security and defence policy. He then gained the Paul-Henri Spaak PhD scholarship of the Fund for Scientific Research – Flanders, which he held from 1999 to 2002, when he defended his dissertation, published as Euro-Mediterranean Security: A Search for Partnership (Ashgate, 2003).

Sven Biscop is Director of the Europe in the World Programme at Egmont – the Royal Institute for International Relations, the think tank associated with Belgian Foreign Affairs, which he joined in 2002, originally as a senior research fellow. His research focuses on the foreign, security and defence policy of the European Union.

He is a Visiting Professor for European security at Ghent University (since 2003) and at the College of Europe in Bruges (since 2007). He is a Senior Research Associate of the Centre for European Studies at the Renmin University of China (CESRUC) in Beijing (since 2010) and an Associate Fellow of the Austria Institute for European and Security Policy (AIES) in Baden-bei-Wien (since 2011), and was made an Associate Fellow of the Geneva Centre for Security Policy (GCSP) for the academic year 2011-2012.

On behalf of Egmont, he is co-director of the Higher Studies in Security and Defence, a course for security practitioners organized in collaboration with the Belgian Royal High Institute for Defence, and he sits on the Executive Academic Board of the EU's European Security and Defence College (ESDC).

He is a member of the Scientific Councils of the Flemish Peace Institute (Brussels) and of the Institut d'Etudes Stratégiques de l'Ecole Militaire (IRSEM, Paris), of the Strategic Advisors Group of the Atlantic Council (Washington), and of The Next Generation Advisory Panel to SACEUR/USEUCOM (Brussels/Stuttgart).

He is editor in chief of Egmont's journal Studia Diplomatica and of its Egmont Papers; member of the board of the Flemish United Nations Association; foreign languages book review editor of the journal European Foreign Affairs Review; and member of the editorial board of the journals Internationale Spectator (Clingendael Institute, The Hague) and European Security.

His recent research and publications have focussed inter alia on European strategy, on which he has recently published Europe, Strategy and Armed Forces – The Making of a Distinctive Power (Routledge, 2011, with Jo Coelmont). Currently he is co-editing The Routledge Handbook of European Security (with Richard Whitman, forthcoming).



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Ms Claude-France ARNOULD

Chief Executive, European Defence Agency

Claude-France Arnould is the Chief Executive of the European Defence since 17 January, 2011.

Previously, Ms. Arnould worked on defence matters in other EU positions. She led the Crisis Management and Planning Directorate (CMPD) at the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union, between 2009 and 2010, and as Director for Defence Issues at the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union from 2001 to 2009 (in charge of operations, military capabilities, partnerships and chair of the EU Satellite Centre Board).

Earlier in her career (1998-2001), Ms. Arnould worked as Director of International and Strategic Affairs at the French National Defence General Secretariat / Prime Minister (preparation of national "Council of Defence", CIEMG / interagency process for weapons exports control, armaments and space issues).

Claude-France Arnould started her career at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs, as Desk Officer at the North America Directorate (1981-1983). Afterwards, she became Desk Officer at the Economic and Financial Affairs Directorate, at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1983-1986), responsible for EC trade policy and external relations. After serving at the Private Office of the Minister for European Affairs (dealing with Community issues), in 1987, she became Secretary-General of the French National School for Public Administration (ENA), until 1989. In 1989, she was appointed Deputy Director of European Community Affairs, at the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs (in charge of external relations, trade, budget, institutions, CAP and development). She was then posted in Germany, as First Counsellor of the French Embassy (1994-1998). Ms. Arnould has been "Ministre plénipotentiaire" (French Ministry of Foreign Affairs) since June 2001. She is a former student of the Ecole normale supérieure, and holds an agrégation in Classics and a degree in art and archaeology. Ms. Arnould is a former student of the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA).

Claude-France Arnould has been awarded the distinctions of Chevalier de la Légion d'honneur, Officier de l'Ordre National du Mérite and Bundesverdienstkreuz Erster Klasse.



Dr Antonio Missiroli

Director, European Union Institute for Security Studies

Antonio Missiroli (Italian) became Director of the European Union Institute for Security Studies in October 2012.

Previously, he has been Adviser at the Bureau of European Policy Advisers (BEPA) of the European Commission, in charge of European dialogue/outreach (relations with think tanks and research centres across the Union and beyond) and publications (2010-2012); Director of Studies at the European Policy Centre in Brussels (2005-2010), and Research Fellow and Senior Research Fellow at the W/EU Institute for Security Studies in Paris (1998-2005). He was also Head of European Studies at CeSPI in Rome (1994-97) and a Visiting Fellow at St.Antony's College, Oxford (1996-97).

As well as being a professional journalist (inter alia he was correspondent in Germany right after unification for an Italian daily) and commentator on EU and international affairs, he has also taught European Politics at the University of Bath, European Security at the University of Trento, and Transatlantic Security at Boston University; he is currently adjunct professor of European Foreign Policy at SAIS/Johns Hopkins (Bologna) and visiting professor at the College of Europe (Bruges).

Widely published, he has written on EU institutions and policies (especially CFSP); contemporary Germany, Central Europe, Scandinavia; history of political science, think tanks and elites in Europe; and Italian foreign policy.

Dr Missiroli holds a Ph.D degree in Contemporary History from the Scuola Normale Superiore (Pisa) and a Master's degree in International Public Policy from SAIS/Johns Hopkins University. He speaks Italian (native), English, French and German.



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Gen Patrick de Rousiers

Chairman, EU Military Committee

General Patrick de Rousiers was born on the 11th of May 1955 in Dijon (France).

He joined the Ecole de l'Air (French Air Force Academy) in September 1975, was awarded his fighter pilot wings in Tours on the 30th of January 1979 and was then posted to Tactical Fighter Squadron 01/008 "Saintonge" at Cazaux AFB, where he attended the operational fighter course, flying Mystere IV A.

In June 1979, he joined Tactical Reconnaissance Squadron 01.033 "Belfort stationed at Strasbourg AFB, flying Mirage III R. Upon completion of all professional qualifications, he was appointed as flight commander (scheduler) to TRS 02.033 "Savoie", which was about to be converted to Mirage F1 CR.

From May to July 1986, he was head of a Mirage F1 CR detachment in Chad. When he got back from Africa, he was posted to TFS 02.004 "La Fayette", operating Mirage III E/AN52. In August 1982, he took command of the squadron and was in charge of its conversion to Mirage 2000 N/ASMP.

From August 1989 to June 1990, he attended the Command and Staff Course of the Canadian Forces in Toronto.

Upon completion of the course, he joined 33rd Tactical Reconnaissance Wing in Strasbourg, as Chief Operations, and in the autumn of 1990, he commanded the first Mirage F1 CR detachment deployed to Saudi Arabia, during "Desert Shield" operation.

In the summer of 1991 he organized the projection of the air component within the combined deployment of "Provide Comfort" operation, and was the commanding officer of the Mirage F1 CR detachment operating above Iraq from Incirlik AFB (Turkey). On the 27th of August 1992, he took command of 33rd TRW.

From September 1993 to summer 1994, he attended the National War College in Paris.

He was then posted to the Air Force Staff, General Plans, "Planning" office. He was appointed head of this office on the 4th of September 1996, and participated in preparing the 1997-2002 Defence Spending Plan and in the programming review, requested by the Minister of Defence. As "Airspace control" operational coherence officer, he participated in preparing the documents issued by MOD/General Staff and the Procurement Agency.

From the 17th of April to the 12th of June 1999, he was temporarily posted to Vicenza CAOC as deputy to the French SNR during the Kosovo war.

On the 2nd of September 1999, he took command of Nancy AFB that operates the three Mirage 2000 D squadrons of the French Air Force, in particular.

From October to December 2001, during the war in Afghanistan, he participated in the first French operational detachment to US Central Command in Tampa (Florida) as "AF adviser/targeting".

In September 2002, he left Nancy AFB and was promoted to Brigadier General. He joined MOD/General Staff in Paris as Assistant to the Vice-Chief of Defence and headed the General Military Strategy office where he chaired a working group tasked by the Minister on Military Reserve. At the same time, he was a member of the Commission working on the revision of the General Status of the Military as well as the strategic orientation group for defining the Defence policy for Space.

September 2004, he was Head, Euro-Atlantic Division in the Defense Staff in Paris in charge of EU, NATO and UN relations as well as bilateral relations with northern hemisphere countries let aside Asia. He was promoted to the rank of Major General on September 1, 2005.

From 2006 to 2008 he was appointed Air Defense and Air operations Commander in chief, at Taverny, Paris and Lyon, France. Under the authority of the prime minister, he was then responsible for air policing and also for controlling rescue operations in the French Airspace.

In June 2008 he was posted to Brussels as French military representative to the European Union Military Committee at the time of the French Presidency of the EU.



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In 2009 he was "dual-hatted" as French military representative to both the European Union and NATO Military Committees in Brussels.

Since September 1, 2010, he has been working for the Minister of Defence as General inspector of the armed forces and was promoted to the rank of General. Amongst his various responsibilities he was recently appointed as head of an interagency working group in charge of a "defence and security threats and challenges" working group for the French White Paper updating.

The Foreign Affairs Council, based on the proposal of the EU CHODs, appointed him as Chairman of the EU Military Committee. He will take up his new position on 6 November 2012.

General Patrick de Rousiers logs a total of 3,094 flying hours, among which 2,600 on jet-engined fighter aircraft. He participated in 76 war missions

He was awarded a Commander in the Legion of Honor, a Commander in the National Order of Merit, the French Medal of Aeronautics and the German Ehrenkreuz der Bundeswehr in gold.

He is married to Bénédicte and is the father of five.



Prof Jolyon Howorth

Jean Monnet Professor of European Politics, University of Bath

Jolyon Howorth is Jean Monnet Professor of European Politics ad personam at the University of Bath (UK). He has been a Visiting Professor of Political Science at Yale since 2002. From 2008-13, he will be Visiting Professor of Political Science and International Affairs, dividing his teaching between the Political Science Department and the International Affairs Council. He has published extensively in the field of European politics and history, especially security and defense policy and transatlantic relations - fourteen books and two hundred journal articles and chapters in books. Recent books include: Security and Defence Policy in the European Union, Palgrave, 2007; Defending Europe: the EU, NATO and the Quest for European Autonomy, Palgrave, 2003 (edited with John Keeler); European Integration and Defence: the Ultimate Challenge? Paris, WEU-ISS, 2000.



Dr Hilmar Linnenkamp

Advisor, Research Division International Security, SWP

Since September 2009 Advisor, Research Division International Security

2008/2009 Director, Armaments Department of the Permanent Representation of Germany to the EU

2004-2007 Deputy Chief Executive, European Defence Agency, Brussels

2004 Member, Agency Establishment Team with the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union

2001-2004 Director, International Armaments Relations, Ministry of Defence, Bonn

2000/2001 Planning Staff, Ministry of Defence, Bonn/Berlin

1999/2000 Director, Secretariat of the "Weizsäcker-Commission" for Bundeswehr Reform, Bonn/Berlin

1991-1999 Dean, Social Science Department, General Staff College, Hamburg



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Prof Richard G. Whitman

Professor of Politics and International Relations, University of Kent

Professor Richard G. Whitman is Professor of Politics and International Relations in the School of Politics and International Relations. He joined the University of Kent in September 2011.

Professor Whitman is also an Associate Fellow at Chatham House (formerly known as the Royal Institute of International Affairs) and an Academic Fellow at the European Policy Centre. He regularly writes and researches for think tanks and his most recent publication for Chatham House is A Diplomatic Entrepreneur: Making the most of the European External Action Service.

He was Professor of Politics at the University of Bath 2006-2011. Senior Fellow, Europe (April 2006-April 2007) and Head of the European Programme at Chatham House (April 2004 to April 2006). Prior to arrival at Chatham House he was Professor of European Studies at the University of Westminster and where he was also Director of the Centre for the Study of Democracy from 2001-2003.

Richard Whitman is a contributor to leading journals, and has presented many papers and keynote addresses. His current research interests include the external relations and foreign and security and defence policies of the EU, and the governance and future priorities of the EU.

He is on the editorial boards of European Security and Studia Diplomatica.

Professor Whitman is a regular media commentator, working with print and broadcast media at home and overseas. He has been interviewed widely on Europe and European integration. Recent coverage has included BBC radio and television, CNN, Bloomberg, CNBC, Newsweek, Reuters, the International Herald Tribune and the Wall Street Journal.

Professor Whitman was elected an Academician of the Academy of Social Sciences in October 2007 and from 2009-2012 the elected Chair of the University Association for Contemporary European Studies (UACES).