

Speakers' Biographies
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Francisco García Morán
Director General for Informatics - European Commission

Mr. Francisco García Morán holds a degree in Mathematics from the University of Seville and a degree in Computer Science from the Polytechnic University of Madrid.

He started his carrier as a teacher and IT engineer at the University of Seville and worked for several years at the IT Departments of the Ministry of Education and Science at national level and of the Regional Government of Andalusia where he worked as a head of several IT services.

Since he joined the European Commission in November 1986, he has continued working in the IT area, first at the Informatics Directorate and then at the Directorate-General for Translation.

In 2001 he was appointed Director of Informatics at the Directorate-General for Personnel and Administration. He was responsible for establishment of the Directorate-General for Informatics (DIGIT) in May 2004 of which he was appointed Director General in November 2005.

The Directorate-General for Informatics defines the IT strategy of the European Commission, provides its ICT infrastructure and since January 2007 is also responsible for the IDABC programme (Interoperable Delivery of pan-European eGovernment Services to public Administrations, Businesses and Citizens). He is member of the Management Board of ENISA.

Magnus Enzell
Sweden

1999-2001: Project Manager for EVIL 2000. A Telematics for Libraries project under FP5
2002: PhD in Political Science
2002. Swedish Agency for Public Management
2006: Swedish Ministry of Finance



Miguel A. Amutio
Spain

Mr. Miguel A. Amutio graduated in Computer Science at Deusto University (Bilbao) in 1988. He joined the Ministry of Public Administrations in 1995. Currently he is Head of Area within the DG for the Promotion of eGovernment in the Ministry of the Presidency of Spain. Head of the Spanish delegation in the managing committees of the EU Programmes IDA II (1999-2004) and IDABC (2005-2009).

He coordinates the development of the National Interoperability Framework and of the National Security Framework in Spain. He is also President of AENOR AEN GET 13 Risk Management. He is CISA and CISM.

His domains of expertise include cross-border eGovernment services, interoperability, IT security, open standards and open source software.

Marton Benedek
DG Justice, Freedom and Security - European Commission

Dr. Marton Benedek is responsible for information exchange issues, including the Prüm framework, at the European Commission's Directorate-General for Freedom, Security and Justice (JLS). He holds a doctorate in international relations from the University of Oxford and previously worked as a policy analyst at the European Commission's Bureau of European Policy Advisers.



Karel DE VRIENDT

Head of IDABC unit – European Commission

Mr. Karel De Vriendt is a Dutch speaking Belgian who holds a nuclear engineering degree and a post-graduate degree in IT. After having worked for seven years as a software engineer and project manager in a large multinational telecommunications company, he started to work for the Commission in what is now the Information Society and Media Directorate-General, following-up research projects related to software engineering.

Thereafter, he worked for fifteen years in the Commission's internal IT service, managing projects and teams working on electronic mail, networking and telecommunications, user support and application development. From 2005 to 2006, he was responsible, in the Enterprise and Industry DG, for the pan-European eGovernment services unit. This unit is responsible for the IDABC programme that has as its objective to "identify, support and promote the development and establishment of pan-European eGovernment services and the underlying infrastructure supporting the Member States and the Community in the implementation, within their respective areas of competence, of Community policies and activities, achieving substantial benefits for public administrations, businesses and citizens."

Mira Sallamo

Deloitte

Mrs. Mira Sallamo is a senior project manager with over 15 years of related work experience. She joined Deloitte Consulting in June 2007. Ever since she has been focussing on projects for the European Commission. She has been running a project with DG RTD on CORDIS evaluation, supervising an enterprise architecture study at the European Railways Agency and more recently, working closely with DG DIGIT/IDABC unit on the elaboration of the European Interoperability Strategy.

Besides the project work, she is busy with development of program assurance offerings and related publications and trainings.

Before Deloitte, she worked for over five years for a Nordic IT service company, TietoEnator, in various roles; project manager, contract manager, bid manager and finally as an account manager for the European Institutions.

Most of the projects and contracts she was dealing with were in the Quality Assurance field and for the European Commission. Prior to this employment, her background is in the public sector; Finnish national administration and European Commission DG REGIO and DG ENTR.

At DG REGIO she was in charge of an information exchange project between the DG and the national administrations in the field of regional policies. At DG ENTR she continued working in the same field, but in a programme management and coordination function: at IDA programme in charge of horizontal actions and measures and more specifically common tools and practises.

Mira is familiar with various project management methodologies and quality assurance best practises.

She works effectively in Finnish, English, and has good basic knowledge of Dutch.