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Christos STYLIANIDES

European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management

Christos Stylianides is the European Commissioner for Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Management since November 1st, 2014. On October 24th, 2014 he was appointed by the European Council EU Ebola Coordinator.

He was elected Member of the European Parliament in the May 2014 European elections where he served until October 31st 2014.

He was twice appointed Government Spokesperson of the Republic of Cyprus (in 2013-2014 and in 1998-1999). He was responsible for the management of the Government's communication strategy and was the head of the Government's centralised Press and Information Office.

During the period 2006-2013 he served as a Member of the Cyprus House of Representatives (elected in 2006 and 2011).

During his tenure he served as Vice-Chair of the Committee on Foreign and European Affairs (2011-2013) and member of the Committee on European Affairs, the Committee of Internal Affairs and the Committee of Employment and Social Affairs (2006-2011). Between 2006-2011 he was a member of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly and he was elected Member of its Bureau in 2012.



Domingos XAVIER VIEGAS

Full Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Coimbra

Rapporteur of 2017 Portuguese fires report from the Centro de Estudos sobre Incêndios Florestais

Domingos Xavier Viegas is a full Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of Coimbra, Portugal. He is the head of ADAI a research institution on the University of Coimbra that is registered at the National Science and Technology Foundation.

Since 1985 he is dedicated to the research on forest fires, mainly in extreme fire behavior and fire safety. He is the Director of the Forest Fire Research Group that manages the Forest Fire Laboratory in Lousã, dedicated to advanced research on fire behavior, fire safety, fire protection and training.

He is the author of more than 70 ISI papers on the subject, participated in more than 30 international and 60 national funded projects in the area. Supervised 16 Doctoral and 50 Master thesis and acted as expert on several court cases related to fire accidents in Portugal, Spain, Israel, Croatia and Australia.

His Group was invited by the Portuguese Government to participate in the analysis and report of several fatal accidents and large fires to assess the facts and to help in the lessons learning process.

He organized eight international conferences in forest fires and several training courses and seminars and gave more than 60 invited lectures at international meetings. Since 2010 Domingos Xavier Viegas and his team are collaborating regularly with research Groups in Europe, the USA, Brasil, South Africa, Malasia, Australia, S. Korea and China in the area of extreme fire behavior analysis. was a



Duarte MARQUES MP

Vice-Chairman of the Instituto Francisco Sá Carneiro

Born in 1981 in Mação, Portugal, Duarte Marques holds a bachelor degree in International Relations from the Institute of Social and Political Sciences of the University of Lisbon.

At the age of 21, Duarte Marques started working in the Portuguese Council of Ministers Presidency as a political advisor of the Minister and since 2005 he has acted as head of office of the Portuguese PSD Delegation in the European Parliament.

Duarte was elected for the national board of the JSD in 2006, then two years later, in 2008, Vice President and from 2010 to 2012 he became JSD's national President. He is currently a Member of the Portuguese Parliament, elected by Santarém's constituency and Vice President of the Instituto Francisco Sá Carneiro.

In addition Duarte Marques is Deputy Director of HELPO, an NGO for development with projects in Portugal, Mozambique and São Tomé and Príncipe.



Elisabetta GARDINI MEP

Head of the Italian delegation of the EPP Group in the EP (Forza Italia)

Elisabetta Gardini was born in Padua in 1956. In 2004, she was pointed out as spokesperson of Forza Italia, having been elected to the Regional Council of Veneto in 2005, and to the Italian Chamber of Deputies, in 2006.

In 2008, Gardini became a member of the European Parliament. Currently, she is the Head of the Italian "Forza Italia" Delegation, and Vice-Chairwoman of the Delegation for relations with Mercosur in the EP.

She is also a member of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety, of the Special Committee on Terrorism, of the Delegations for relations with the Federative Republic of Brazil and of the Delegation on the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly.

Gardini serves also as substitute Member in the Committee on Foreign Affairs, Committee on Fisheries, Committee on Petitions, Subcommittee on Human Rights and in the Delegation for relations with the United States. MEP since 2008.



Hugo SOARES MP

Chairman of the PSD Parliamentary Group in the Portuguese Parliament

Born in Braga, Portugal, in 1983. Hugo Soares holds a degree in Law from the University of Coimbra and a masters in Local Authority Law from the University of Minho.

In 2005 he was elected a member of the Municipal Assembly of Braga, and in 2012, he was elected President of the Social Democratic Youth (JSD), until 2014.

In June 2011, he was elected Member of the Portuguese Parliament, having been re-elected for a second term in October 2015. Currently, he is the Chairman of the Social Democratic Parliamentary Group in the Portuguese Parliament.



Paulo RANGEL MEP

*EIN Chairman, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament
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Paulo Rangel is a Member of the European Parliament since 2009 and vice-chairman of the EPP Group, responsible for the EPP's think tank, European Ideas Network.

Since 2015, Mr. Rangel is also vice-chairman of the EPP. Member of the Constitutional Affairs Committee and member of the Delegation to the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly, Mr. Rangel is as well Head of the Portuguese PSD Delegation and Administrator of the Robert Schuman Foundation, since 2009. Former Member of the Portuguese Parliament, on the 10th legislature, Mr. Rangel was the Chairman of PSD parliamentary group in 2008-2009. Prior to this, Paulo Rangel was Deputy Secretary of State in the Ministry of Justice under the 16th constitutional government.

Law graduate, by the Catholic University of Oporto, Mr. Rangel has attended a master degree in juridical-political sciences, by the University of Coimbra, and attended a Doctorate in Public Law, by the Law faculty of Nova University of Lisbon. Lecturer in the Law Faculty of the Portuguese Catholic University and lecturer of the MBA in the Porto Business School.

Mr Rangel is a member of the board of directors of the Porto Trade Association, chairman of the General Assembly of RAR Group and regular commentator in various branches of media. Mr. Rangel has made many speeches and lectures, scholarly articles and books on legal, political and constitutional issues, including *Repensar o Poder Judicial*, Publicações Universidade Católica, 2001, *O Estado do Estado*, D. Quixote, 2009. Research work: with the DAAD in Frankfurt, with the European Institute in Florence, the University of Osnabrück, the University of Upsala, the University of Lausanne, the University of Bologna, the University of Genoa and the University of Freiburg. Awarded the Grosse Verdienstkreuz mit Stern by the Federal Republic of German (2009); the Council of Europe's René Cassin Prize (1989); the D. António Ferreira Gomes Prize (1986).

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