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## Luis Cantarell

Executive Vice President Nestlé S.A.,  
Zone Director for EMENA (Europe, Middle East and North Africa)



Date of birth: 1952

Nationality: Spanish

Languages: Spanish, French, English, Portuguese and Catalan

Other: Married, 3 children

### Career

- October 2014 - Executive Vice President Nestlé S.A., Zone Director for EMENA (Europe, Middle East and North Africa)
- December 2012 - Executive Vice President Nestlé S.A., Head of Nestlé Nutrition
- 2011 - President & CEO, Nestlé Health Science S.A.
- 2008 - Executive Vice President Nestlé S.A. in charge of Zone Americas
- 2005 - Executive Vice President Nestlé S.A. in charge of Zone Europe
- 2003 - Deputy Executive Vice President in charge of the Group's Nutrition Strategic Business Division
- 2001 - Senior Vice President in charge of the Group's Nutrition Strategic Business Division
- 1998 - Market Head of Nestlé Portugal S.A.
- 1996 - Joined Nestlé España S.A., ran the Coffee, Culinary & Food Services Division and was a member of the Nestlé Spain Management Committee
- 1994 - Transferred to the Nestlé Headquarters where he took global responsibility for coffee marketing worldwide within the Coffee & Beverages Strategic Business Unit
- 1976 - Joined Nestlé España S.A. in the Information Systems Unit

### Education

- Economy and Business Administration, Barcelona University
- Program for Executive Development, IMD Switzerland

### Mandates

- Board member, OSEM, Investments Ltd (Israel)
- Board member, Lactalis Nestlé Produits Frais (France)
- Board member, Cereal Partners Worldwide (Switzerland)
- Board member, Beverage Partners Worldwide (Switzerland)
- Board member, Nestlé Health Science (Switzerland)
- Board member, FoodDrinkEurope (Belgium)
- Board member, Efficient Consumer Response (Belgium)
- Board member, Group J. Uriach, S.L. Barcelona (Spain)
- Board member, Association des Industries de Marque (AIM) (Belgium)

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## **Marianne Thyssen**

EU Commissioner

Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility



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Belgian nationality. Married.

2014-present

European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility

2008-10 Party leader of CD&V (Flemish Christian-Democratic party)

2004-09 First Vice-President of the EPP Group in the European Parliament

1999-2014 Head of the Belgian delegation of the EPP Group in the European Parliament

1991-2014 Member of the European Parliament

2001-2008 First Alderman in Oud- Heverlee

1995-2008 Municipal councillor in Oud-Heverlee

1991 Acting Secretary-General of Unizo, the Belgian representative SME organisation

1988-91 Director of the Unizo research department

1986-1988 Legal advisor to W. Demeester, State Secretary for public health and disability policy

1980-88 Legal advisor at Unizo and Markant, the women's network

1979-1980 Research assistant, Faculty of Law, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

1979 Master's degree in law, Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

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**Guy Ryder**  
10th ILO Director-General



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Born in Liverpool (UK) in 1956, Guy Ryder studied Social and Political Sciences at the University of Cambridge and Latin American Studies at the University of Liverpool. He speaks French and Spanish as well as his mother tongue, English. He started his professional career in 1981 as assistant at the International Department of the Trade Union Congress in London.

From 1985, he held the position of Secretary of the Industry Trade Section of the International Federation of Commercial, Clerical, Professional and Technical Employees (FIET) in Geneva.

In 1988, Guy Ryder became Assistant Director and – from 1993 - Director of the Geneva office of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions (ICFTU).

Guy Ryder first joined the International Labour Organization in 1998 as Director of the Bureau for Workers' Activities and, from 1999, as Director of the Office of the Director-General. It was during this time that the ILO's Decent Work Agenda was launched and won support from the international community.

In 2002, he was appointed General Secretary of the ICFTU, leading the process of global unification of the democratic international trade union movement. He was elected as first General Secretary of the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) when it was created in 2006. He headed international trade union delegations to high-level talks with the UN, IMF, World Bank and WTO and to the G20 Leaders' Summits.

In September 2010, Guy Ryder came back to the ILO in Geneva as Executive Director, responsible for international labour standards and fundamental principles and rights at work. Among other activities, he supervised the application of ILO Conventions and Recommendations. He also headed several high-level ILO missions to address a range of issues related to labour standards in countries such as Bahrain, Colombia, Fiji, Georgia, Greece, Myanmar and Swaziland.

Guy Ryder was elected as ILO Director-General by the ILO's Governing Body in May 2012 and took office on 1 October 2012. On taking office, he pledged to position the Organization as a determined actor translating principle into action and ensuring that it had the capacity to make a major difference to the working lives of people on all of the continents. To support this he launched a major reform process geared to assuring the ILO's authority on matters falling within its mandate."

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**Eva Paunova**  
MEP



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Eva Paunova is a Member of the European Parliament from the Group of the European People's Party. She is Vice-President of the largest organisation of associations and civil societies in Europe "European Movement International" (EMI) and Vice-President of SME Europe.

Paunova's priorities focus on enhancing skills-creation, fostering innovation and digital technologies, supporting entrepreneurs and investments in Europe. Working on efficient youth policies, she is actively involved in a number of pan-European and cross-sectorial activities in this field - as an ambassador for the European Commission's e-skills for jobs programme and the Pact for Youth, as well as a co-founder of Education Bulgaria 2030.

Paunova is one of the first politicians to endorse Alliance for YOUth, which she supported already in the beginning of her mandate.

In the European Parliament, Eva is member of the Internal Market and Consumer Protection Committee and the only Bulgarian representative in the key Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee. She is also part of the Delegations for Relations with the US and with China.

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Amongst others, Eva's work has been recognised by the Financial Times, which included her in the "New Europe 100", the ranking of CEE's brightest and best people that are changing the status quo through their ideas and innovative solutions. She is also part of the European Forbes 30 under 30 list, featuring the change agents in 20 different sectors. Politico defined her as one of "the most eye-catching 28 people from 28 countries who are shaping, shaking and stirring Europe".