

Vademecum of speakers

Hearing of the Committee on the Internal Market and Consumer Protection

Growth & Mobility Modernising the Professional Qualifications Directive

Wednesday 25 April 2012 from 15h00 to 17h30

European Parliament, Brussels

Paul-Henri Spaak (PHS) building, room 1A002

- **Beata Cholewka**, Director Department for Nurses and Midwives, Polish Ministry of Health
- **Sarah Schoenmaekers**, Lecturer 'EU Substantive Law' and 'European and International Law', University of Maastricht
- **Zlatko Fras**, President of the European Union of medical specialists (UEMS)
- **Vera Erdmann**, Economist, Cologne Institute for Economic Research
- **Marc Seale**, Chief Executive and Registrar of the Health Professions Council (HPC)
- **Margarita de Lezcano-Mújica Núñez**, Vice-Director General for Titles and Recognition of Qualifications, Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport
- **Giovanni Buttarelli**, Assistant European Data Protection Supervisor (EDPS)
- **Arno Metzler**, EESC Rapporteur on Recognition of professional qualifications and administrative cooperation
- **Dirk Bochar**, Secretary-General of the European Federation of National Engineering Associations (FEANI)



Beata Cholewka

Director of the Department of Nurses and Midwives at the Polish Ministry of Health

Beata Cholewka is responsible for all the issues connected with nursing and midwifery in Poland. This includes: assumptions and legal basis for the functioning of the profession; preparation of solutions in the area of working conditions of nurses and midwives; issues of pre-graduate and post-graduate education of nurses and midwives (among initiatives and the implementation of new system solutions in the scope of training and training supervision); co-operation and co-ordination of the activities of national consultants for nursing and midwifery; co-operation with the professional self-government of nurses and midwives, together with government administration tasks to be executed by the self-government; international co-operation in the scope of issues related to nursing and midwifery.

Since 2008, within the structure of the Department of Nurses and Midwives at the Polish Ministry of Health she has been managing the national System Project. Professional education of nurses and midwives as part of bridging studies, which is co-funded by the European Social Fund as part of the Human Capital Operational Programme for the years 2007-2013. The project is executed by the System Project Implementation Department created within the structures of the Department of Nurses and Midwives. The goal of this enormous Project, the budget of which is almost 180 million PLN, is to enable 24 thousand nurses and midwives to raise their professional qualifications to the level of Bachelor free of charge. As an effect already more than 18 thousand nurses and midwives have already taken up studies within the programme and more than half of them have already graduated.



Dr. Sarah Schoenmaekers



Lecturer 'EU Substantive Law' and 'European and International Law', University of Maastricht

Sarah Schoenmaekers studied law at the European Law School of Maastricht University. After graduating in 2005, she passed the Flemish Bar exam and began her career as a lawyer in Belgium. Meanwhile she wrote her PhD dissertation about the regulation of architects in Belgium and the Netherlands. This thesis focuses on the free movement of architects in the European Union and the problems professionals experience when working in another Member State, specifically with regard to differences in liability regimes. Since 2009 she works as a lecturer at Maastricht and Hasselt University.

Sarah Schoenmaekers' principal area of interest is the future of European integration. She mainly focuses on the free movement of EU and third-country nationals (particularly the recognition of diplomas) and EU competition law. In her research she also applies law and economics analyses to determine whether regulations are cost-efficient.

Sarah Schoenmaekers is a scholar of the Maastricht Centre for European Law, and also a member of the Ius Commune Research School and the Institute for Transnational Legal Research (METRO). She is the coordinator of several courses such as 'International and European law', 'Introduction to law', 'State aid and Public Procurement' and 'Discovery of Europe'.

At Maastricht and Hasselt University, Sarah Schoenmaekers teaches 'EU Substantive Law' and 'International and European Law'. She also teaches 'Legal Writing' and 'European Integration for Tax Lawyers' at Maastricht University. She is a visiting scholar at the Centre for European and Political Studies in Maastricht where she teaches 'European Law and Politics'.

 <p>Dr. Zlatko Fras</p>	<p>President of the European Union of medical specialists (UEMS)</p> <p>Zlatko Fras, MD, PhD, FESC, is born in 1963 in Maribor (Slovenia), where he finished primary and secondary level of education. He was awarded the Diploma at Medical School (University of Lubljana)(1990), Master of Science Degree (1994), Specialist Diploma in Internal Medicine (1998) and European Cardiologist Diploma (2005).</p> <p>Currently holds position of Medical Doctor of the division for Internal Medicine at the University Medical Centre Lubljana. His clinical professional activities encompass different fields of internal medicine with special interest in cardiology/vascular medicine, mainly on atherosclerosis prevention.</p> <p>His research activities are oriented into the field of basic/clinical research of atherosclerosis and disorder of lipid metabolism, as well as physiology/pharmacology of fibrinolysis and physical activity. He regularly participates in national and international research projects. He is regularly giving invited lectures, mainly in the field of preventive cardiology, at both national and international professional-scientific meeting. In 2007, he was nominated as invited (guest) Professor at the 'Victor Babes' University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara, Romania. Besides, he is also interested in theory and practical implementation of projects in the field of post graduate education and training in medicine- participates actively in both national and international professional organisation/societies; currently holding a position of president of the UEMS (European Union of Medical Specialists), where he chaired the working group on Post Graduate Training (2002-2006).</p>
 <p>Dr. Vera Erdmann</p>	<p>Economist, Cologne Institute for Economic Research</p> <p>Professional Experience: 01/2009- on-going: Economist, Cologne Institute for Economic Research Research Department: Educational Policy and Labour Market Policy. Focus: Skilled Labour Shortage, Assurance and Support of Skilled Labour, Vocational Training 10/2009- on-going: Lecturer for Macroeconomics University of Cologne: 10/2005-12/2008 University of Cologne: Research Assistant</p> <p>Education: 12/2008 PhD (Dr. rer. pol.) University of Cologne 08/2005 Master of Science in Business and Economics Erasmus Universiteit Rotterdam, The Netherlands. Focus: Economics of Markets, Organizations and Policy 04/2004 Bachelor of Arts in Economics, University of Paderborn</p> <p>08/2002-12/2002 Study Exchange Programme at the Faculty of Business Administration Memorial University of Newfoundland, Canada</p>



Marc Seale

Chief Executive and Registrar of the Health Professions Council (HPC)

Marc Seale was appointed as Chief Executive and Registrar of the Shadow Health Professions Council in 2001. The Health Professions Council (HPC) replaced the Council for Professions Supplementary to Medicine (CPSM) in 2002.

Marc was a member of the Foster Review of non-medical professional regulation, and is a member of the Professional Standards Strategy Board and the Social Work Reform Board.

A scientist by training he studied Physiology at the University of St Andrews, graduating in 1977. He also has a Masters degree from the London Business School. Marc's career has been spent working in a variety of commercial organisations. These have included Inmarsat, the satellite Inter Governmental Organisation (IGO), and British Gas. His responsibilities have covered general management, finance and marketing.

He was a Non Executive Director of three NHS Trusts between 1996 and 2003, and until recently a board member of Passenger Focus, the independent rail consumer watchdog. He is a board member of the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR).



**Margarita de
Lezcano-Mújica
Núñez**

Vice-Director General for Titles and Recognition of Qualifications, Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sport

Curriculum Vitae

University Degree on Chemistry ("Universidad Complutense", Madrid Spain) (1986)

Physics and Chemistry Professor (1986-1990);

Civil servant (1990 – now)

As civil servant:

- Technician on Occupational Safety and Health in the "Instituto Nacional de Seguridad e Higiene en el Trabajo" (Spanish Institute for Safety and Health at Work – Spanish Labour Ministry) (1990-2003)
- Technical Adviser – Internal Market Unit – Spanish Foreign Affairs Ministry (2003-2008)
- Deputy Director General - after a period as Assistant Deputy Director General – for Degrees and Recognition of Professional Qualifications – Spanish Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports (2008 – now)

In all the posts as civil servant, member of several working groups of the European Commission.



Giovanni Buttarelli

Assistant Data Protection Supervisor

Giovanni Buttarelli (1957) has been Assistant European Data Protection Supervisor since January 2009. He was appointed by a joint decision of the European Parliament and the Council of 14 January 2009 for a term of five years.

Before entering his office, he was Secretary General to the Italian Data Protection Authority since 1997. Member of the Italian judiciary, he has attended to many committees on data protection and related issues at international level.

During the EU Italian Presidency period (1996), he chaired the European Union Council Working Group which drew up Directive no. 97/66/EC on the protection of privacy in the telecommunications sector.

In 1997, after the entry into force of the first Italian Data Protection Act, which he had contributed to drafting, he was appointed as Secretary General of the Italian Garante. He played an active role as a member of the Committee that drew up the 2003 Personal Data Protection Code..

In the 2002 to 2003 period he was the President of the Joint Supervisory Authority set up in pursuance of the Schengen Agreement, after being its Vice-President in 2000-2001.

The experience on data protection includes the participation in many bodies at European Union level (including Art. 29 Working Party, Art. 31 Committee of Directive n. 95/46/EC and Taiex programs), and at the Council of Europe (in particular, also as a consultant, T-PD; CJ-PD, DH-S-Ac, Venice Commission), as well as the contribution to many hearings, meetings and workshops held also by Parliaments and to specialized book journals and papers.

He currently teaches on privacy at the Lumsa University, Rome.



Arno Metzler

EESC Rapporteur on Recognition of professional qualifications and administrative cooperation

Career

1973 diploma from secondary school qualifying for university admission studies in law

1979 German First Legal State Examination, Bonn

1982 German Second Legal State Examination, Düsseldorf

since 1982 Lawyer (own office)

1984 – 1992 General Manager of the German Association of Showmen and Leisure Parks

since 1992 General Manager of the German Federal Association of Liberal Professions, Berlin /Brussels

Chief Editor of the magazine “der freie Beruf” (“the liberal profession”),

General Manager of the publisher

since 2002 Member of the European Economic and Social Council of the European Union,

since 2010 Vice-President of Group III, Member of the Bureau of the EESC, Co- Chairman EU-Turkey Joint Consultative Committee



Dirk Bochar

Secretary-General of the European Federation of National Engineering Associations (FEANI)

Dirk G. Bochar is Secretary General of FEANI, the European umbrella Organization of the National Engineering Associations, based in Brussels, representing 3,5 million engineers. He holds a masters of arts and a masters in total quality management. Having acquired more than 20 years of international experience in various European umbrella Organisations in the standardization, transportation and automotive industries, he currently represents with FEANI 32 national engineering associations (or members).