

## **SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHY**

**On the road to a net zero carbon future in the Mediterranean: the  
role of Euro-Mediterranean energy cooperation.**

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### **Marco Berti Palazzi.**

Works at the European Commission, in the International Relations Unit of Directorate General "Energy", where he is in charge of the energy cooperation with the Southern Neighborhood partner countries. Since 2007 to 2009 he was posted to the Delegation of the EU in Morocco as Head of the Section "Economic cooperation and support to reforms". Previously he held various positions at the European Commission, managing EU cooperation programmes with South-Mediterranean countries, and dealing with European environmental and transport policy. Graduated in Economics at Bocconi University – Milan.



### **Lapo Pistelli.**

Director Public Affairs – Eni.

Born in Florence in 1964. He was appointed Director Public Affairs of Eni on July 1, 2020.

He was member of the Italian Parliament from 1996 to 2015 (1996/2004 and 2008/2015), and also member of the European Parliament (2004/2008).

He served as Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Italy from 2013 to 2015. He resigned from all his institutional and political roles in July 2015, when he entered Eni as Senior Vice President for Strategic Analysis for Business Development Support. He was appointed Executive Vice President of International Affairs since on April 14th, 2017.

Among other things, he's a member of the Council of Chatham house, member of the board of the European Council on Foreign Relations (ECFR) and of the Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), member of the WE – World of Energy editorial committee and of the EastWest scientific committee.

He's Chairman of OME (Observatoire Méditerranéen de l'Énergie) and member of the IRENA's (International Renewable Energy Agency) Global Commission on the Geopolitics of Energy Transformation.



### **Lisa Guarrera.**

Lisa Guarrera joined the OME in 2005 and is currently the Director of Monitoring and Modeling Division. As such Ms. Guarrera oversees OME's work on historical data, outlooks and forecasts and is in charge of overall consistency of modelling work and resulting messages.

Ms. Guarrera is also in charge of producing the Mediterranean Energy Perspectives, OME's flagship publication. The Division produces medium to long term energy demand, efficiency, power generation, renewables and environmental analysis for the Mediterranean Energy Perspectives and other publications. She also conducts analysis on various energy topics such as energy efficiency, energy security, carbon emissions, energy transition, electrification and hydrogen.

Prior to joining the OME in 2005, she worked at the International Energy Agency as an energy analyst for the Economic Analysis Division contributing to five editions of the World Energy Outlook. Lisa Guarrera

holds a Post Graduate degree in international economics (majors: macroeconomics and economic development) and a masters in management studies (majors: finance and tax law) from the University IX of Paris Dauphine.



### **Kamel Ben Naceur.**

CEO for Nomadia Energy Consulting, based in Abu Dhabi. He is the 2022 President of the Society of Petroleum Engineers, with 140,000 members worldwide. He is also the Chairman for DAMORPHE, a US-based innovative nano-technology company.

He was previously the Chief Economist for Abu Dhabi National Oil Company (ADNOC).

Prior to that, he was the Director for Sustainability, Technology and Outlooks at the International Energy Agency, where his team developing the World Energy Outlook, the Energy Technology Perspectives, Climate Policy and CCUS publications.

In 2014, he was appointed Tunisia's Minister for Industry, Energy and Mines, where he led the development of new renewable laws, energy efficiency regulations, and rationalization of energy subsidies. From 1981 to 2013, he held key positions with Schlumberger, including Chief Economist and Technology Center President. His assignments with Schlumberger included France, USA, UK, Algeria, Venezuela, UAE, Egypt, Russia, and Brazil.

He has more than 40 years of experience and knowledge in the energy and industry sectors around the world in both public and private service and is the (co-)author of 19 books and over 150 publications, in addition to several technology-related patents.

He has received several SPE/AIME Awards, including the Distinguished Member, the Distinguished Service, AIME Charles Rand Gold Memorial, and the Sustainability and Stewardship in the Oil and Gas Industry Award, and he was a SPE Distinguished Lectured. He is the recipient of the Commandeur de l'Ordre de la Republique (Tunisia), de la Medaille d'Or de la Ville de St Etienne (France).



### **Grammenos Mastrojeni.**

Italian diplomat, professor and writer who has focused for the past 25 years on the societal, geo-strategic and economic impacts of environmental degradation, as well as on topics related to environmental protection, human cohesion, peace and security. He has taught sustainability and conflict resolution in various universities in Italy and abroad, and in 2009, the Ottawa University in Canada entrusted him with the first class by a University on the issue of Environment, resources and geostrategy.

Formerly, until August 2019, he was the Coordinator for the Environment and Head of the Science-Policy Interface at the Italian Development Cooperation, heading Italian delegations on lands,

water and oceans and joining negotiations on climate and biodiversity. Chair of the UN Mountain Partnership, and Co Chair of the Global Islands Partnership, he is President of the largest Italian association for sustainable development education “Isola della Sostenibilità” and member of the Scientific Boards of numerous university courses and entities.



### **Roberta Boniotti.**

Since 2010 Roberta Boniotti has been working as the Advisor on European and International Affairs at ENEA - the Italian National Agency for New Technologies, Energy and Sustainable Economic Development - in Brussels, maintaining key links with stakeholders in the EU institutions.

Previously she was a Member of the Board of Directors and a Member of the Board of Auditors in several private research companies in Italy and Head of Unit “Company Relations

Management” at ENEA Headquarters in Rome.

She is an economist, holds a master’s in business administration (MBA) from the University of Bologna, and has more than 20 years of experience in the sectors of energy, the environment, and sustainable economic development.

She is a member of the Executive Working Group of TAFTIE, the European Association of leading National Innovation Agencies, a member of the Advisory Board of Sustainable Energy Investments Forums Initiative, ENEA’s Representative in the network of European National Energy Agencies (EnR), and in EEFIG, the Energy Efficiency Financial Institutions Group.

Since 2017 she has been working as the Secretary General of MEDENER, the Association of National Agencies for Energy Management in the Mediterranean Region.



**Jauad El Kharraz.**

Executive Director of the Regional Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency (RCREEE), an intergovernmental organization with diplomatic status based in Cairo with 17 Arab countries onboard. He has been working as a senior expert/advisor/evaluator for several international institutions (e.g., European Commission, EU-GCC CETN) and member of IDA, European Desalination Society, Oman Energy Majlis).

Dr. El Kharraz has been Director of Research at the Middle East Desalination Research Center, Oman (2015-2020). He has been projects manager at EMWIS

(2004-2015) in France and researcher at the university of Valencia (1998-2003). He obtained his MSc and PhD degrees in Physics, University of Valencia, Spain and a diploma in enterprises management and strategies from SKEMA Business School, France. He brings over 20 years of experience in various sustainability fields including energy and water policies, desalination, water-energy-food nexus.

He coordinated and contributed to international programs (e.g., FP5-FP7, H2020, ENPI CBC Med, PRIMA). Additionally, he carried out projects for international donors such as GIZ, SIDA, IsDB and USAID. He chaired and contributed to the development of an important number of papers, policy briefs, policies, and events worldwide.



**Angelo Ferrante.**

Angelo Ferrante is Secretary General of Med-TSO, the Association of the Mediterranean TSOs for electricity ([www.med-tso.org](http://www.med-tso.org)) and Head of European Affairs at Terna S.p.A., the Italian Transmission System Operator for electricity ([www.terna.it](http://www.terna.it)).

Mr. Ferrante is an electrical engineer with more than 35-year professional experience in Power Sector, with special focus on International Co-operation, Project Financing, Regulation and relations with International Organizations.

In his carrier, Mr. Ferrante has been also deeply involved in R&D and Technical Assistance projects in many parts of the world.



### **Hasan OZKOC.**

Mr. OZKOC has been appointed as the Director of the Mediterranean Energy Regulators (MEDREG) in June 2021 and has been the Deputy Secretary General from March 2018 to June 2021. He represents globally MEDREG and in charge of developing activities, tools, regulatory standards and good practices to promote a functioning, interoperated, compatible and sustainable regulatory framework in the Mediterranean region. He also coordinates and contributes to the national and regional energy progress reports and activities as well as supports MEDREG institutional relations and guides training programmes on

legislative and regulatory developments.

Prior to MEDREG, he occupied the position of Sector Manager for Energy at the Delegation of the European Union to Turkey, managing reform process, implementation and follow-up of pre-accession developments, monitoring and coordinating the programmes/projects under the EU Financial Assistance to Turkey between July 2010 and March 2018.

In 2006, he worked as Senior Gas Expert (Head of Hydrocarbons) for the Energy Community Secretariat in Vienna, where he contributed to the development of strategies for gas market structures in the South-Eastern European Countries and monitored the compliance of Members with the EU's internal energy directives.

He worked for the Turkish Energy Market Regulatory Authority (EMRA) from its establishment in 2001 until 2009. He was involved in the preparation and implementation of the implementing legislation of the Natural Gas Market Law. Following his graduation, he joined Petroleum Pipeline Corporation (BOTAS) in 1994 as a natural gas engineer and specialised on natural gas and LNG sales and purchase agreements as well as gas infrastructures.

He received a BS in Metallurgical and Materials Science Engineering and later an MS from the Middle East Technical University (METU).



### **Houda Ben Jannet.**

General Director of the Observatoire Méditerranéen de l'Énergie (OME) since 2013. She has also headed the Secretariat of the UfM Gas Platform since 2016.

She joined OME in 1992 and served in several positions, with a special focus on renewable energy and sustainability issues.

Dr. Ben Jannet graduated in energy economics from Institut Français du Pétrole (IFP), & University of Paris 2, and holds a PhD from Ecole des Mines.

In the academic field, she served as Guest Lecturer at Ecole des Mines de Paris, Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS), University of Versailles, Institut National des Sciences et Techniques Nucléaires

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### **Cyril Dewaleyne.**

Program Manager for Energy, Blending and Guarantees at the European Commission - DG NEAR (Neighborhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations Directorate General) since 2017. He belongs to a Unit dealing with regional programs for the Southern Neighborhood. He contributes to designing and implementing EU's cooperation strategy on energy and also coordinates the deployment of financial instruments (EFSD+ blending and guarantees) with International Financial Institutions in this region.

Before that, he worked for 5 years at the EU Delegation to Lebanon on the Energy, Water and Transport sectors. He in particular contributed to designing and implementing EU's response to the massive influx of Syrian refugees to Lebanon, especially on the water sector.

From 2007 to 2012, he had spent 5 years at the EU Delegation to Morocco, working on Energy and Institutional Building dossiers.

This came right after Romania's accession to the EU, to which he contributed from 2004 to 2007 as member of the EU Delegation in Bucharest, dealing with Regional Development and Cross Border Cooperation.

He graduated in 1996 as Industrial Engineer from the "Institut Catholique d'Arts et Métiers" in Lille (France), and then spent 2 years as Mathematics' teacher in a school in the suburbs of Beirut (Lebanon). From 1998 until 2004, he worked as Consultant for a French company based in Brussels.