

Roundtable Session 3.2

Strengthening cooperation – Enabling Civil Society Contributions in Migrant Integration

16:30-19:00, 28 June 2017

Mr. Simon Mordue

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Since December 2016, Simon Mordue has become Deputy Director General for Migration in DG HOME, overseeing the Directorates responsible for Migration and Protection, and Migration and Security Funds. In September 2014, Simon Mordue became Director "Strategy and Turkey" in DG NEAR, covering issues such as the overall strategy for enlargement policy and the European Neighborhood Policy, policy planning, interinstitutional relations and communication, thematic support, monitoring and evaluation, financial instruments and negotiations with Turkey.

In the Barroso II Commission, Simon was Head of Cabinet for Štefan Füle, European Commissioner for Enlargement and Neighbourhood Policy.

In the Barroso I Commission, Simon was deputy Head of Cabinet to Vice President Verheugen covering a broad range of areas in the VP's team including responsibility for driving forward the better regulation agenda and the relations of the VP with the EP and Council. This latter involved overseeing, for the VP, complex inter-institutional negotiations on issues such as REACH, the single market for goods package, the defence package etc.

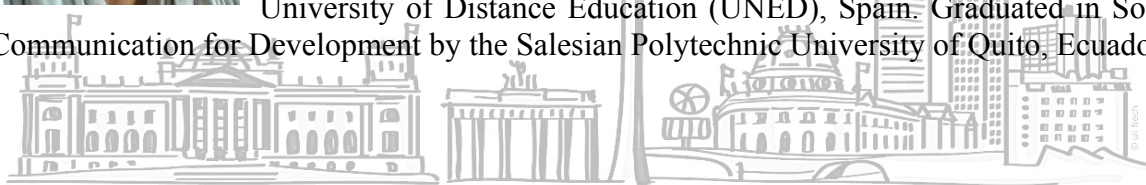
He had also been part of Commissioner Verheugen's team for the last part of the Prodi Commission where he oversaw preparations for the new financial perspectives and also dealt with relations with the EP. At other times in his career in the Commission, he has been head of Unit for the maritime sector in DG Transport and Energy (TREN); Head of the Financial Instruments Unit in Dg Enlargement and served also as Head of the Operational Sections of the EC's delegations in Romania and Turkey.



Ms. Giovanna Tipán Barrera – Panelist

*Director of the Human Mobility Unit
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Giovanna Tipán Barrera, an ecuadorian woman, has a Master's Degree in International Cooperation and Project Management at the Ortega y Gasset University Institute, attached to the Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain and a University Specialist in Planning and Management of Cooperative Interventions for the Development by the National University of Distance Education (UNED), Spain. Graduated in Social Communication for Development by the Salesian Polytechnic University of Quito, Ecuador.



She has served as Undersecretary for the Promotion of Migrant Rights in the National Secretariat of Migrants, SENAMI (now Vice Ministry of Human Mobility), Ecuador. She has been coordinator of the area of Sustainability and International Cooperation of the Center for Studies and Dissemination of Constitutional Law of the Constitutional Court of Ecuador; Coordinator of sustainability (political, social, organizational and economic) of the Latin American Association of Radiophonic Education, ALER (regional and global organization of the movement of community radio and alternative communication). She has taught in both Ecuador and Spain, teaching International Cooperation, Human Mobility, Communication and Cooperation for Development, and has also generated several communication products: Modules, Posters, Guides, and various publications on communication and gender. Migrants Rights activist and social activist linked to the feminist movement in Latin America and the Caribbean, through the Association for Progressive Communications (APC) Women's Network Support Program.

At present, Director of the Human Mobility Unit of the Provincial Government of Pichincha, design of management model and strategy of territorialization of a human mobility policy at the local level.

Ms. Mantalin Kyrou

Policy Associate

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As a migrant entrepreneur, Ms. Kyrou founded “Cultural Integration Solutions” in Munich where she spent three years assisting migrants in their integration process and representing them at Bavarian Chamber of Commerce events. She also supported the work of municipal institutions and local civil society organizations serving them. Among her clients were the Bavarian Department of Labor & Industry, Caritas, Ludwig Maximilians-Universität München, IN VIA (an organization providing migrant integration assistance), and local firms. She has volunteered with the Community of Sant'Egidio since 1999, in Boston, New York, Paris and Munich, and was a live-in house leader with L'Arche Communities in Ireland. At Harvard Law School, she coordinated and managed a programme training lawyers in negotiation. Ms. Kyrou holds bachelor's degrees in French and Italian as well as master's degrees in French and theological studies (specializing in Ethics and African Catholicism). Greek-American, and a native English speaker, she is proficient in written and spoken French, German and Italian. At the International Catholic Migration Commission, Ms. Kyrou focuses on policy work for refugees in the current UN process to develop the new Compact for Refugees.



Athanasia Ioannou – Rapporteur
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Athanasia Ioannou has a Bachelors Degree in Political Science and Public Administration, following two Masters Degrees, one in International Relations and one in Sociology. Currently she is Head of the Social Integration Division at the Ministry of Migration Policy in Greece. She is also a member of the European Integration Network and the European Social Fund Thematic Network on Migrants. Prior to these roles, Ms Ioannou worked in the Greek Ministries of Interior, Justice and Foreign Affairs. She also has a background in journalism and is the author of many research articles and other publications on migration issues in national and international journals.

