

Luc Tayart De Borms
Managing Director- King Baudouin Foundation

Born in 1957 in Beerse, Belgium.
Master's Degree in Moral Sciences (University of Ghent).

As a professional with more than 25 years' experience, Luc Tayart de Borms works for a number of organisations, including:

- the "European Foundation Centre", President (June 2000 – June 2002), Vice-President (June 2002 – 2004) and Treasurer (2011 - ...)
- the 'Council on Foundations' (US), member of the Board of Directors (2002 - 2005) and the 'International Committee' (2002 – 2006)
- the 'Network of European Foundations for Innovative Cooperation', President (2004 – 2008), Treasurer (2008 - ...)
- the 'European Policy Centre', member of the Advisory Council (2003 - ...)
- the 'European Cultural Foundation', Board Member (2000 – 2008)
- the 'European Venture Philanthropy Association', Trustee (2005 - ...)
- the 'King Baudouin Foundation United States', Treasurer (1997 - ...)
- 'The Hague Club', President (2007 – 2008)
- 'GuideStar International', President (2007 – 2010)

Key publications

- Global Philanthropy (2010)
- Philanthropy in Europe (2008)
- Foundations – Creating Impact in a Globalised World (2005)

Andreas Dracopoulos
Co-President, Stavros Niarchos Foundation

Andreas Dracopoulos was born and raised in Athens, Greece. He graduated from the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania, with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics.

He is Director and co-President of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, an international philanthropic organization, which was established by his great-uncle, the late Stavros Niarchos. Mr. Dracopoulos is a Trustee of The Rockefeller University, and a member of the Board of the Dalton School in NYC; a member of the Board of the Peterson Institute for International Economics, and a member of the Board and member of the International Council of the Center for Strategic and International Studies in Washington, D.C.; a Trustee of The Johns Hopkins University, and a member of the Advisory Board of the Berman Institute of Bioethics. He is an Honorary Trustee of the New York Public Library (NYPL), where he also served as a Trustee from 2003 to 2010. In June 2012, the NYPL honored him and his wife Katerina for their contributions to the Library's educational programs.

In February, 2012, Andreas Dracopoulos was awarded by the Greek State the Grand Commander of the Order of the Phoenix. Mr. Dracopoulos is also the recipient of the 2002 Odyssey Award from the Hellenic Community of Astoria, New York, in recognition of his contributions towards the promotion of Greek education. He resides in New York City.

Peter Economides
Brand strategist, Felix BNI

Peter Economides is a global brand strategist, founder of Felix BNI, based in Athens.

He is a former Executive Vice President and Worldwide Director of Client Services at global advertising giant McCann WorldGroup, and former Head of Global Clients at TBWA Worldwide. At McCann he was responsible for the management of the \$1.8 Billion global Coca-Cola advertising account. At TBWA he was part of the team on the much acclaimed relaunch of Apple following the return of Steve Jobs in 1997.

Peter left his native South Africa in 1983 to pursue a global career which has taken him to Hong Kong, Athens, New York and back to Athens in 1999.

Peter holds a Bachelor of Business Science degree from the University of Cape Town with a major in economics and honours in marketing.

David Emerson
Chief Executive, Association of Charitable Foundations

David is the Chief Executive of the Association of Charitable Foundations (ACF), the UK-wide membership association for the charitable trusts and grant making foundations. His initial professional background was in landscape design; on a rural community development project; and subsequently as the Deputy Head of the Rural Department at the National Council for Voluntary Organisations in London. Subsequently he worked in professional theatre in the West End of London and outside of the UK, and moved on to run the professional membership association for regional theatre in the UK before joining ACF in 2003. Over the last 20 years ACF has influenced key legislation, provided a showcase for independent funders to share good practice of all kinds, and placed itself uniquely to represent the distinctive role of trusts and foundations. Alongside his professional roles ACF David has co-authored four published books, including the first on 'Only Children'; been the secretary of a charitable trust promoting contemporary opera; and he currently is chair of NITRO, Britain's leading black music theatre company.

Thomas W. Galante
President and CEO, Queens Library

Thomas W. Galante is President and Chief Executive Officer of Queens Library, one of New York City's three public library systems. Queens Library had revenues of \$120 million in Fiscal Year 2012 and employs 1,350 people. Queens Library is the recognized library leader in developing unique library technologies and creating innovative service models that enrich lives. A \$300 million capital program is transforming its 62 public libraries into true community destinations. Galante has served Queens Library in senior management since 1987. He has earned a B.B.A. from St. Bonaventure University, an M.B.A. with distinction from Hofstra University, and an M.L.S. from Queens College, CUNY. Mr. Galante is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Metropolitan New York Library Council and Metropolitan Libraries Section of IFLA, among other affiliations.

Markus Hipp
Executive Director, BMW Foundation

Born in Hechingen in 1968, Markus Hipp studied Philosophy and Catholic Theology in Munich from 1989 to 1994. Upon graduation, he spent two years as a lecturer of German and Philosophy at the Czech universities of Budweis and Brno, before taking up positions in the marketing and publishing industry in Munich and Augsburg. In 1998, he joined the Robert Bosch Foundation in Stuttgart as assistant to the executive director. In 2000, he became the Foundation's deputy chief executive for Central and Eastern Europe, before being appointed to establish the Berlin office of the Robert Bosch Foundation in 2002, which he directed until August 2006. Since then he is the executive director of the BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt.

The married father of four also holds a number of honorary posts in other organizations. He is a member of the advisory council of the Association of German Foundations in Berlin, a member of the board of trustees of the Breuninger Foundation, a board member of the Paretz Foundation as well as a founding director and member of MitOst e.V., an association for language and cultural exchange in Central, Eastern and Southeastern Europe. Since 2008 Markus Hipp is an elected member of the city council of Ketzin, Brandenburg. In 2011 he became a board member of the European Venture Philanthropy Association (EVPA).

Jennifer Humke
Program Officer, Digital Media & Learning, MacArthur Foundation

Jennifer Humke is program officer for the digital media and learning initiative at the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. She makes grants for research and design experiments to better understand how digital media are changing the way young people learn, play, socialize and participate in civic life. Jennifer joined the digital media and learning program in January 2012 after nine years in the Foundation's public affairs office, where she served as associate director. Prior to MacArthur, she worked at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, providing communications support for museum exhibits, public programs and its Committee on Conscience. Early in her career, Jennifer worked for an international human rights organization based in Kampala, Uganda, helping to train activists from countries in conflict how to identify and document gender-specific human rights abuses in war. Jennifer has an M.A. in international development and journalism from American University in Washington, DC, and a B.A. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison.

Maria Isabel Jonet
President, European Federation of Food Banks

Maria Isabel Jonet was born in Lisbon in 1960 and is currently married with five children. She has a license in Economics from Católica Lisbon School of Business & Economics (1982). Maria works in the Food Bank (since 1993), helping to create the Portuguese network of 19 Food Banks that distributed food aid to 2.100 charities, that help feed 320.000 people in need. She is also the president of the Portuguese Federation of Food Banks (2003). Maria has been the president of European Federation of Food Banks (FEBA) since Mai 2012 and a member of

the Board of Directors of FEBA since 1995. She is the founder and president of ENTRAJUDA (2004). This is a very innovative project created with the mission of causing capacity building in the social sector by educating nonprofits in management and organization. This organization also mobilizes civic society to respond to several needs perceived within other social welfare institutions which, managed with the heart, could be more effective in serving their beneficiaries if provided with a number of management and organization instruments and resources. Under ENTRAJUDA, developed several and launched the Volunteer Exchange, the Bank of Given Goods, and the Bank of Equipments.

Chris Lawrence

Director of Hive Learning Network NYC for the Mozilla Foundation

Chris Lawrence is the Director of Hive Learning Network, New York City. Hive NYC is a consortium of non-profit organizations working together to create and connect learning opportunities for local middle and high school-aged youth in New York City. Chris directs Hive NYC for the Mozilla Foundation with funding from the Digital Media and Learning Initiative at the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation. Chris previously participated in Hive NYC as a charter member in his former position of Director of Formal and Informal Teaching and Learning at the New York Hall of Science where he conceived and managed educational programs that utilize digital and web-based tools for both on-site and distance learning opportunities. He recently spent time as an adjunct professor in Seton Hall's Museum Professionals graduate program teaching the Museum Technology course. Chris has a Master's in Museum Education from the Bank Street College of Education.

Simon Levitt

Strategy and communications consultant, Harwood Levitt Consulting

Simon Levitt is a founding partner of HLC, a Brussels-based independent strategy consultancy specialising in public policy issues.

Simon has over 15 years' experience in creating and implementing strategic communications programmes encompassing government and stakeholder relations as well as CSR for Fortune 500 companies. He has advised most commercial sectors and has a particular focus on environmental issues, working with the energy, forestry, automotive, electronics, and FMCG industries.

A former speech-writer on climate change for BP CEO Lord Browne and part of the team that created the Marine Stewardship Council, Simon specialises in the relationship between commercial marketing and product defence, politics and environmentalism. Simon also advises major foundations such as the Oak Foundation on their support for environmental campaigns.

Formerly a Managing Director of a global public relations firm, his international campaigns across the US and Europe created fire safe televisions and saved the printer cartridge as we know it.

Based in Brussels for the last twelve years, Simon is British, with a MA in Classics from Oxford University.

George McCarthy
Director Metropolitan Opportunity, Ford Foundation

George McCarthy (Mac) directs the Metropolitan Opportunity Unit at the Ford Foundation. The Metropolitan Opportunity Unit seeks to provide low-income people better access to jobs and other opportunities for upward mobility by supporting regional planning efforts, transportation investments, and housing development policies and practices that alleviate poverty and reduce its concentration within metropolitan areas. Previous to taking this position, Mac administered a program that focused on using homeownership to build assets for low-income families and their communities. That work centered on improving housing and housing finance markets to increase the chances that low-income homeowners succeeded in building wealth. Before joining Ford, Mac worked as a Senior Research Associate at the Center for Urban and Regional Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He has worked as Professor of Economics at Bard College; Resident Scholar at the Jerome Levy Economics Institute; Visiting Scholar and Member of the High Table at King's College of Cambridge University, UK; Visiting Scholar at the University of Naples, Italy; and Research Associate at the Centre for Social Research in St. Petersburg, Russia. He received a BA in Economics and Mathematics at the University of Montana; an MA in Economics at Duke University; and, a Ph. D. in Economics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Iñigo Sáenz de Miera Cárdenas
General Director, Fundación Botín

Miera Cárdenas has a degree in Sociology from the Complutense University of Madrid and a degree in Social Sciences from the University of Kent (UK), where he also has a MA in Political Sociology. In addition, he obtained a Degree in Environmental Sciences at the University of Harvard, and graduated in the Stanford Executive Program (SEP) at the University of Stanford's Graduate School of Business.

He has worked as a professor at the Francisco de Vitoria University (UFV) in Madrid, and as a postgraduate lecturer at the San Pablo University CEU and the Colegio de Abogados (Law School) in Madrid.

Before being appointed General Director of the Fundación Botín, he worked as General Director of the Francisco University of Vitoria. His responsibilities there included (among others) managing the areas of Comprehensive Training, Quality, Marketing and Promotion, Teacher Training, Orientation and Employment and Former Students. It is worth mentioning two particularly important developments made during his time at the University: setting in motion the Escuela de Liderazgo Universitario (Student Leadership School) with the Santander Bank, which brings together more than 200 young student leaders from all parts of Spain, and the Programa de Becas Europa (Europe Scholarship Plan), which is now in its fourth year. This plan, whose collaborators include the Santander Bank and the Fundación Marcelino Botín, annually rewards the talents of the best pre-university pupils in Spain with

a student trip to Europe and visits to the universities of Oxford, the Sorbonne, Heidelberg, Bologna, Alcalá de Henares and Salamanca.

From 2006 to 2008, he managed the Integer Group for Spain, an educational group consisting of more than 15 private and semi-private centres in Spain and more than 1,500 employees.

In the year 2002, he launched The Fundación Carolina and Santander Bank's LIDER Grants Programme, a project he directed for six years together with the President Andrés Pastrana. It has become one of the most prestigious Ibero-American Grants programmes, managing to attract the country's foremost leaders in business, politics and society and to create an important network of young leaders across the whole of Ibero-America.

Miera Cárdenas began his career at the Fundación Iuve working in a variety of posts until he ended up presiding the organization from 1997 to 2000. At Iuve he set up partnerships between public and private institutions to collaborate on pioneering projects in the fields of leadership training, volunteer training and development cooperation. Some of these, such as the "1 Kilo of Aid" scheme, continue to operate very successfully today.

Iñigo Sáenz de Miera Cárdenas is 38 years old. He is married with 3 children.

Gerry Salole

Chief Executive, European Foundation Centre

Gerry Salole was appointed Chief Executive of the European Foundation Centre (EFC) in 2005. The EFC is an association of over 230 public-benefit foundations and corporate funders active in philanthropy in Europe and elsewhere. His previous posts have included serving as representative of the Ford Foundation's Southern Africa office, based in Johannesburg, and director of the Department of Programme Documentation and Communication of the Bernard van Leer Foundation, based in The Hague. He has also worked for Save the Children Federation (USA) in Ethiopia and Zimbabwe, and Redd Barna (Norwegian Save the Children) and OXFAM UK and UNHCR in Ethiopia. Gerry Salole is a social anthropologist and development worker. He studied Social Anthropology and African History at the School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London. He holds an M.A. (Econ.) and Ph.D. from the University of Manchester. He is the Chair of TrustAfrica, an independent private foundation set up in Dakar, Senegal, in 2006 to promote peace, economic prosperity, and social justice throughout the continent. He also serves on the board of Alliance Publishing Trust in London.

Ioannis Trohopoulos

CEO & Managing Director, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center A.E.

Ioannis Trohopoulos, 52, was born and raised in Veria, Greece, and was Director of the Veria Central Public Library from 1990 to 2012. From 1991 to 1996, he was also a lecturer on Library Automation and Management at the Library School of the Technical University of Thessaloniki.

From 1994 to 2004 he was the national coordinator for six EU projects, namely the MOBILE, PLDP, Publica, ISTAR, PULMAN, and CALIMERA projects. From 2004 to 2007 he coordinated

the Light Project, which was funded under Interreg III C East. From 2007 to 2011 he managed the European projects ENTITLE and UNTOLD, both funded under Grudvtiq programs, and the EDLocal and AccessIT EU projects, which focus on the development of digital libraries. In August 2010, during the IFLA conference in Gothenburg, Sweden, he received the Gates Foundation's annual *Access to Learning Award* on behalf of the Veria Central Public Library.

In 2011, with support from the Stavros Niarchos Foundation, he created and began implementing a highly original nationwide program titled *Future Library*. The program began with a feasibility study on the state and needs of municipal and public libraries across Greece and continues with the implementation of targeted actions to selected libraries so that they improve their operations and public programs. The overall aim of the program is to help libraries acquire the role of civic centers within their respected communities.

Ioannis Trohopoulos holds a Law Degree (1982) from the School of Law of the University of Thessaloniki.

Sam Tsemberis
CEO, Pathways to Housing

Sam Tsemberis, Ph.D., serves as the CEO of Pathways to Housing, an organization he founded in 1992 based on the belief that housing is a basic human right. Pathways developed the *Housing First* model that provides *immediate access* to permanent housing for individuals who are homeless and who have psychiatric disabilities and multiple co-occurring conditions such as addiction and health problems. The Pathways' *Housing First* program has been successfully replicated across the United States, Canada, Europe and Australia. There is substantial research evidence documenting its effectiveness the program is endorsed by the United States Interagency Council on the Homeless and is listed in the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's *National Registry of Evidence Based Programs*. Additionally, the program has received recognition and numerous awards including the American Psychiatric Association's Gold Award for excellence in community mental health. Dr. Tsemberis is a clinical-community psychologist and is on the faculty of the Department of Psychiatry at Columbia University Medical Center. He has received recognition and numerous awards for his commitment, innovation and advocacy to ending homelessness for people with mental illness and addiction. He currently serves as principal research investigator for several federally funded studies of homelessness and has published numerous articles and book chapters on these topics. Last year, Hazelden Publishers, published his book entitled *Housing First: The Pathways Model to End Homelessness for People with Mental Illness and Addiction*.

Ivan Vejvoda
Vice President for Programs, German Marshall Fund of the United States

Ivan Vejvoda is Vice President for Programs of the German Marshall Fund of the United States. From 2003 - 2010 he was the executive director for the Balkan Trust for Democracy a project of GMF. He served in 2002-2003 as senior advisor on foreign policy and European integration to the Serbian prime minister – first to Zoran Djindjic and subsequently to Zoran Zivkovic. Prior to his service in the Serbian government, Vejvoda was the executive director of the Belgrade-based Fund for an Open Society from 1998-2002. During the mid-1990's, he

held various academic posts in the United Kingdom and the United States, including a one-year stint as political science professor at both Smith College and Macalester College in the U.S. and a three year fellowship as a researcher at the University of Sussex in England. Vejvoda has published widely on the subjects of democratic transition, totalitarianism, political theory and post-war reconstruction in the Balkans. In addition, he was a prominent figure in the opposition movement in Yugoslavia in the 1990's.

Pier Mario Vello
Secretary General, Fondazione Cariplo

Pier Mario Vello is Secretary General of the Fondazione Cariplo and entrusted with its overall reorganisation and positioning as a Knowledge Creating Foundation. Pier Mario serves as a member of the Governing Council of the European Foundation Centre and he is currently a member of the EFC Management Committee and of the Steering Committee of the EFC Research Forum. He is also a member of the Board of Directors of L. Bocconi University and of the Fondazione G. Dell'Amore (a microfinance focused foundation). Pier Mario Vello graduated in Philosophy at Turin's University and holds a Master degree in Economics from the L. Bocconi University of Milan. His professional background includes the direction of Marketing and Consumer Product Divisions, as well as the position of General Director and CEO in large companies. During his career he gained an extensive knowledge and expertise in the fields of Total Quality Management, Strategic Planning, HR Management and Creative Problem Solving. His own approach based on "Organizational Values" has been successfully implemented in several working environments. He was three times recognised for his commitment to human resources by the "Great Place to Work" Institute and honoured with the Paul Harris Fellow award by the Rotary International Foundation "for the significant contribution to promoting a better understanding among people". Pier Mario Vello is considered one of the preeminent experts on Learning Organizations in Italy and he is the author of various publications, namely: "The Third Millennium Enterprise" (1995), "From Responsiveness to Creativity" (1995), "Management by Creative Policies" (1997), "The Strategic and Creative Path" (2000), "Banking foundations: innovation and progress" (2009), "Managerial skills in banking foundations" (2011). His passion for arts and writing has accompanied him along his professional career path, and three Pier Mario's poetry books have been published so far: "Itinerari atletici. Poesie del corpo e del distacco" (Manni Ed. 2010), "Utopia di una margherita" (Arcolaio Ed. 2011), and "La casa sonora" (Arcolaio Ed. 2011).

Àngel Font i Vidal
Strategy and Human Resources Manager, "la Caixa" Foundation

Àngel Font i Vidal holds a PhD in Economics (Barcelona Ramon Llull University) and a Degree in Chemistry (Barcelona University). He also has a diploma in Business Management from EADA. He began his career as environmental engineer, and subsequently joined INTERMÓN OXFAM where he held different management positions, first in programs serving in Latin America and after as a Deputy Director. He funded the *Un Sol Món* (One World) Foundation financed by *Caixa Catalunya*, where he runs job placement, social entrepreneurship, social housing and microfinance projects. In 2010 he joined the "*la Caixa*" Foundation, as coordinator of strategic development, position that currently combines with the Human Resources Management of the Foundation. He is member of the board of IQS-School of

Management and Engineering (Ramon Llull University) and was the first Vice-President of the European Microfinance Network.

Emílio Rui Vilar

Non-executive Trustee of the Board of Directors, Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian

Emílio Rui Vilar graduated with a degree in Law from Coimbra University in 1961. Since May 3rd 2012, he is a non executive Trustee of the Board of Directors of Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian. He is President of the European Foundation Centre Nomination Committee and co-Chairman of the EFC Global Philanthropy Leadership Initiative. From 2002 to May 2012, he was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Fundação Calouste Gulbenkian, Portugal and of the Board of Directors of Partex Oil and Gas (Holdings) Corporation. He was Chairman of the European Foundation Centre, President of the Portuguese Foundation Centre, Trustee of the Initiative “A Soul for Europe”, Senator of the European Cultural Parliament and Founding Member of the Portuguese Institute of Corporate Governance. He has also been active as Chairman and CEO of Caixa Geral de Depósitos (1989-1996); General-Commissioner Europalia Portugal (1989-1992); Director General at the European Community Commission, (1986 -1989); Deputy-Governor, Banco de Portugal (1975- 1984); Minister of Transports and Communications (1976-1978); Minister of the Economy (1974- 1975); and Secretary of State for External Trade and Tourism (1974).

Dimitris S. Vlastos

President, Bodossaki Foundation

Dimitris S. Vlastos was born in 1939 in Corfu, Greece. He has studied Law, Economics and Political Sciences at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and the University of Geneva. He speaks English and French.

His career started in 1962 in Geneva when he was hired as a junior executive at the Economic Commission for Europe. Since then he has served as an executive of organizations such as Shell, The Hellenic Industrial Development Bank and the Bodossaki Group of Companies.

He has also served as a consultant on economic and investment matters of metallurgical and industrial companies such as LARCO S.A., Hellenic Magnesite S.A., ALCATEL S.A., SATO S.A. and as member of the Board of Directors of many other companies and organizations. He has been an external collaborator of the Center for Economic Research (KEPE), Athens and has served as a member of the Board of Trustees and as Secretary General of WWF Greece.

From 1991 – 2007 he was a member of the Board of Trustees and Secretary General of the Bodossaki Foundation and from 2007 he is President and CEO of the same Foundation. Since June 2011 he is Vice Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the National Library of Greece.

He is married and has a son and a daughter.

Nikos G. Xydakis
Editor-in-chief, *Kathimerini* daily

Born in Piraeus, Greece, 1958, of Mykonian parents.

Elementary and High School at Piraeus and Hermoupolis, Syros.

He studied Graphic Arts (TEI Athens, 1976-77, not graduated), Dentistry (DDS degree 1984, University of Athens), History of Art (post graduate studies, University of Athens 1998-2002).

He works as a journalist since 1987. Editor, columnist, art critic, book reviewer, consultant in various newspapers and magazines.

Since 1992 in «Kathimerini» daily stuff, as reporter, art critic, columnist and political commentator. Arts editor since 1999, editor in chief since 2003.

In 2009 he was awarded with the Greek Parliament Award, as Political Columnist of the Year, by Botsis Journalism Foundation.

He has contributed short stories, reviews and essays in many books, conference proceedings and exhibition catalogues.

Under publication: «Vlemma» An anthology of political writing. «My Athens» Small essays about urban life (both by Polis editions), «Art criticism in the mass media» Essay (Indiktos editions).

He lives and works in Athens. Married to Efrossyni Albanopoulou, father of two sons, Galatis and Antonis, 21 and 17 years old respectively.

His writing interests are in the fields of Cultural Criticism, Modern Greek Identity, Urbanism.