

UK & EU Brexit Taskforce

David Davis

Position: Secretary of state for exiting the European Union



David Davis, a British Conservative Party politician who was appointed the Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union in July 2016. He is responsible for the work of the Department for Exiting the European Union including:

- the policy work to support the UK's negotiations to leave the European Union and to establish the future relationship between the EU and the UK
- working very closely with the UK's devolved administrations, Parliament, and a wide range of other interested parties on what the approach to those negotiations should be
- conducting the negotiations in support of the Prime Minister including supporting bilateral discussions on EU exit with other European countries
- leading and co-ordinating cross-government work to seize the opportunities and ensure a smooth process of exit on the best possible terms

Career:

- 2016-Now: Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union
- 2003-2008: Shadow Home Secretary
- 2002-2003: Shadow Secretary of State for the Office of Deputy Prime Minister
- 2001-2002: Chairman of the Conservative Party
- 1997-2001: Chair of the Public Accounts Committee
- 1994-1997: Minister of State for Europe

Michel Barnier

Position: European Chief Negotiator for the United Kingdom exiting the European Union



Michel Barnier, a French Republican politician who was appointed the European Chief Negotiator for Brexit in December 2016. He is responsible for the work of the EU Taskforce on Article 50 negotiations with the United Kingdom including:

- coordinating the European Commission's work on all strategic, operational, legal and financial issues related to negotiations with the United Kingdom
- policy support from all European Commission services

Career:

- 2016-Now: European Chief Negotiator for the United Kingdom exiting the European Union.
- 2015-2016: Special advisor on European Defence and Security Policy to the President of the European Commission
- 2010-2014: European Commissioner and then Vice-President in charge of Internal Market and Services
- 2009-2010: Member of the European Parliament, President of the French delegation of the EPP
- 2007-2009: Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries of France
- 2006-2007: Vice President of Mérieux Alliance, in charge of International Relations
- 2004-2005: Minister of Foreign Affairs of France
- 1999-2004: European Commissioner in charge of Regional Policy and the Reform of European Institutions

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Oliver Robbins



Position: Permanent secretary at the Department for Exiting the European Union

Responsible for supporting the department in the negotiations to leave the EU and establishing the future relationship between the UK and EU.

Robbins has been involved in the Brexit process from the very beginning when David Cameron made him a personal adviser on the EU in the days immediately after the June 2016 referendum. He kept his role under May, and was also made permanent secretary in David Davis's Department for Exiting the European Union.

Previously Robbins was the Second Permanent Secretary at the Home Office, where he had responsibility for immigration and free movement policy, and oversight of the borders, immigration and citizenship system. From January 2014 to September 2015 he was Director General, Civil Service, leading on Civil Service Reform. Prior to this, he was Deputy National Security Adviser to Prime Minister David Cameron and the UK's National Security Council.

Sabine Weyand



Position: European deputy chief negotiator for the United Kingdom exiting the European Union

Sabine Weyand, a German trade expert has spent more than two decades working in the European Commission. She has risen through the ranks of the European Commission since joining in 1994 when she began working on international car trade in the industry department after studying for a PhD in European integration. She spent a year at Cambridge University in 1986 studying political science, economics and English literature.

She also studied at the College of Europe, the elite training ground for EU civil servants.

Weyand is experienced in complex negotiations and in the official organisation chart of Brexit taskforce, Weyand has direct oversight of the top staff in charge of detailed aspects of the talks, from strategy, coordination and communication to International agreements and customs.

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Philip Rycroft

Position: Second permanent secretary, Department for Exiting the European Union (DexEU)



Responsible for managing the department's overall policy and legislative agenda

Philip Rycroft was appointed as Second Permanent Secretary at the Department for Exiting the European Union in April 2017. He was appointed Second Permanent Secretary, Head of UK Governance Group in the Cabinet Office in June 2015, with responsibility for constitutional and devolution issues. He keeps this role in the Cabinet Office and consequently will be tasked with evaluating how Brexit affects Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland.

From 2012 to 2015 he was the Director General in the Deputy Prime Minister's (Nick Clegg's) Office, supporting the Deputy Prime Minister across the full range of his policy interests. Prior to that, he also had experience in the private sector as corporate affairs director at Hutchison Whampoa (Europe) Ltd, a multinational company with interests in a range of sectors including ports, energy, hotels and retail.

Previous roles have mainly been in government, including:

- Director General, Innovation and Enterprise and Chief Executive of the Better Regulation Executive in the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills
- Director General, Education in the Scottish Government
- Head of the Enterprise, Transport and Lifelong Learning Department in the Scottish Executive.

Martin Selmayr

Position: Head of cabinet of Jean-Claude Juncker, the president of the European Commission



Jean-Claude Juncker's chief of staff, Martin Selmayr is commonly thought to be the most influential civil servant of the European Commission and the power behind the scenes in the Brexit negotiations.

Selmayr, who has a legal background joined the European Commission in November 2004. He was appointed Commission Spokesperson for Information Society and Media, the portfolio under the responsibility of EU Commissioner Viviane Reding (Luxembourg).

In February 2010, Selmayr became Head of Cabinet to Viviane Reding in her new function as EU Commissioner for Justice, Fundamental Rights and Citizenship and Vice-President of the European Commission.

In 2014, he became Principal Advisor in the European Commission's Directorate-General for Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN). In April 2014, Selmayr was appointed Campaign Director for Jean-Claude Juncker, the European People's Party's (EPP) lead candidate for the European Parliament elections. In July 2014, he was appointed Head of the Transition Team of Jean-Claude Juncker, President elect of the European Commission. In November 2014, Selmayr was appointed Head of Cabinet of Jean-Claude Juncker, President of the European Commission.

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Other members of the team:	Other members of the team:
<p>Tim Barrow Position: UK's Permanent Representative to the EU</p> <p>Alex Ellis Position: Director general at DExEU</p> <p>Sarah Healey Position: Director general at DExEU</p> <p>Simon Case Position: Director general for the U.K.-EU partnership, U.K. Representation to the EU (UKRep)</p> <p>Mark Bowman Position: Director general, international finance at HM Treasury</p> <p>Glyn Williams Position: Director general at the Home Office</p> <p>Catherine Webb Position: Director of market access and budget at DExEU</p> <p>Mark Philip Sedwill Position: National security adviser to the prime minister</p> <p>Matt Baugh Position: Head of negotiation coordination unit, DExEU</p> <p>Katrina Williams Position: U.K. deputy permanent representative, UKrep</p> <p>Chris Jones Position: Director general, DExEU</p>	<p>Nicola Pesaresi Position: Head of cluster — horizontal issues, cross-cutting policies and level playing field</p> <p>Ward Mohlmann Position/Responsibility: Financial stability</p> <p>Tadhg O'Brian Position/Responsibility: Energy and climate, environment</p> <p>Aurora Mordonu Position/Responsibility: Economic analysis</p> <p>Thomas Liefländer Position/Responsibility: Level playing field</p> <p>François Arbault Position/Responsibility: Head of cluster — internal market and sectorial policies</p> <p>Marie Simonsen Position/Responsibility: Free movement of citizens, employment</p> <p>Peter Sorensen Position/Responsibility: Aviation Nationality: Danish.</p> <p>Philippe Bertrand Position/Responsibility: Head of cluster — budget, spending commitments and programs</p> <p>Bence Toth Position/Responsibility: Agriculture, fisheries and maritime policy</p>

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<p>Tom Shinner Position: Director general, DExEU Responsible for cross-government policy coordination.</p> <p>Joanna Key Position: Director general, DExEU Responsible for liaising with parliament, Scotland, Wales, Northern Ireland, the crown dependencies and Gibraltar.</p> <p>Susannah Storey Position: Director general, DExEU Responsible for strategic advice and economic analysis.</p> <p>Antony Phillipson Position: Director general, DExEU Responsible for diplomatic engagement, issues relating to the Republic of Ireland and EU institutions.</p> <p>Peter Hill Position: Prime minister's principal private secretary</p>	<p>Norbert Gacki Position/Responsibility: Budget</p> <p>Antonio Fernandez-Martos Position/Responsibility: Head of cluster — international agreements and customs</p> <p>Nina Obermaier Position/Responsibility: External relations and foreign and security policy</p> <p>Stefan Fuehring Position/Responsibility: Justice and home affairs, health and food safety (external aspects)</p>
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