

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

# EU-China Soft Diplomacy

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### SPEAKERS' CURRICULUM VITAE

#### KEYNOTE SPEECHES:

##### **H.E. Mr. WU Hailong**

H.E. Mr. WU Hailong graduated from the Beijing Foreign Studies University. He joined the Foreign Service of the People's Republic of China (PRC) in 1978. He has served in the Department of International Organisations and Conferences since 1978 and in 2006 became Director General of the Department. Before assuming his position as Ambassador of the PRC to the EU in 2012, H.E. Mr. WU was Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs, responsible for International Organizations and Conferences, as well as for Arms Control. Previously he served as Permanent Representative, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Permanent Mission of the PRC to the United Nations and other international organisations.

##### **Mr. Gerhard STAHL**

Mr. Gerhard STAHL graduated from the Technical University of Berlin. Mr. Stahl served in the Ministry of Economics, Transport and Research on the regional level at Schleswig-Holstein, and as General Director for European and International Affairs at the Ministry of European and Federal Affairs. From 1995 until 1999, he was a Member of the Cabinet of Dr Monika Wulf-Mathies, European Commissioner for Regional Policy and from 1999 until 2002 – Deputy Head of Cabinet for Pedro Solbes, European Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs. In September 2002, Mr Stahl was appointed Director for Consultative Work at the Committee of the Regions. He has been Secretary-General of the Committee of the Regions since 1 April 2004.

## PANEL ONE: DIALOGUE AND SOFT DIPLOMACY BETWEEN THE EU AND CHINA

### Chair:

#### **Prof. Pierre DEFRAIGNE**

Prof. Pierre DEFRAIGNE is currently Executive Director of the Madariaga-College of Europe Foundation. He retired as Deputy Director-General in DG Trade in March 2005 after having been Head of Cabinet for Pascal Lamy, European Commissioner for Trade (1999-2002). He set up the Brussels branch of the Eur-Ifri, which he managed from 2005 to 2008. He is a lecturer in political economy at the College of Europe, and economic policy in the EU at the Paris School of International Studies. He also taught at the Institute for European Studies, Université catholique de Louvain (UCL) and Facultés universitaires Saint Louis (FUSL) and at the Zhejiang University. His interests focus on international economic policies, political economy and relations with developing countries.

### Speakers:

#### **Dr. Joelle HIVONNET**

Dr. Joëlle HIVONNET holds an MA in International Politics from UCL. She is the author of a Ph. D thesis on "The Effects of the ratification by the United Kingdom of the European Convention on Human Rights", that she received from Paris X University. Dr. Hivonnet has been a European Official since 1992. In the course of her EU career, she has contributed inter alia to the adoption of the European anti-discrimination directives, to the implementation of the EU education and culture policies and to the representation of the EU at the UN and other multilateral fora in New York and Geneva. Dr. Hivonnet is currently working in the China Division in the European External Action Service (EEAS) where she is contributing to the implementation of the EU-China strategic partnership.

#### **Dr. Kolja RAUBE**

Dr. Kolja RAUBE studied Political Science, European and International Law at the University of Marburg, University of Saskatchewan and the University of Hamburg. He has a DPhil in Political Science from the University of Hamburg. Dr. Raube is currently Senior Member of the Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies, Catholic University of Leuven. He is Programme Coordinator and lecturer in the inter-disciplinary "Master Programme of Arts in European Studies: Transnational and Global Perspectives on Europe" at the Catholic University of Leuven. He also teaches "European Foreign Policy" at the Armenian Diplomatic Academy in Yerevan in a project which is financed by the European Commission and implemented by the College of Europe in Bruges.

#### **Mr. Matthieu BURNAY**

Mr Matthieu BURNAY holds a BA in Political Science and a BA in Law from the Facultés universitaires Saint Louis in Brussels. He obtained a double MSc degree in International Affairs from Peking University and the London School of Economics and Political Science. Mr. Burnay currently serves as Project Manager of the InBev-Baillet Latour EU-China Chair at the Catholic University of Leuven and is a Junior Researcher at the Leuven Centre for Global Governance Studies, Catholic University of Leuven. He is also the teaching assistant for the course "Chinese Law from a European Perspective." His main research interests include EU-China relations in global governance, China and the rule of law and Chinese foreign policy.

### **Dr. Ida MUSIALKOWSKA**

Dr. Ida MUSIALKOWSKA obtained an MSc in European Studies at the University of Economics in Poznan. She obtained a PhD in Economics and International Relations from the Poznan University of Economics. Since 2008 Dr. Musialkowska has been the Director of the Postgraduate Studies Programme “Strategy of EU Funds Acquisition and Management” at the Poznan University of Economics. She provides expertise and analysis on European integration issues to the Committee for European Integration at the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, to the Parliament of Poland and the Polish Senate. Previously, Dr. Musialkowska was a member of the Expert Group on the EU Structural Funds at the Office of the Ombudsman.

### **Dr. Marcin DABROWSKI**

Dr. Marcin DABROWSKI graduated from SciencesPo Paris with an MRes in Compared Societies and Policies and an MA in Political Science. He obtained a PhD from the Centre for Contemporary European Studies at the University of the West of Scotland. Dr. Dabrowski is currently an Assistant Professor at the Institute for European Integration Research at the University of Vienna. The courses that he teaches include: “Multi-level Governance in Public Policies”, “Contemporary Developments in Central and Eastern Europe”, and “Central and Eastern Europe: Politics, Economies, Societies”. Furthermore, he used to teach courses at the University of the West of Scotland, the University of Glasgow, the University of Aberdeen, Sciences-Po Dijon and Catholic University of Leuven.

### **Mr. Xavier NUTTIN**

Mr. Xavier NUTTIN has served at the European Parliament since June 2005. He is currently Senior Analyst in the Directorate General for External Affairs of the European Parliament where he covers Asia. He provides tailor-made political analysis of Asian countries and gives advice to parliamentary bodies such as the Foreign Affairs Committee. Prior to his current position, Mr. Nuttin was an official of the European Commission. In the 1990s he was posted to the European Commission Delegations to Thailand and Vietnam. In the 1980s he worked for UNESCO, UNICEF and the World Bank in several Asian countries.

### **Ms. Verena NOWOTNY**

Ms. Verena NOWOTNY holds a Master’s degree in Political Management from the George Washington University. Ms. Nowotny is currently an independent strategy and communications consultant with regular policy and research visits to Brussels, Berlin and other EU capitals, as well as to China. Previously, she was the spokesperson for Austria’s non-permanent membership in the United Nations Security Council. From 2001 to 2006, she was Foreign Affairs Spokesperson for the Austrian Chancellor Wolfgang Schussel and from 1996 to 1998, she was Spokesperson for the Austrian Federal Minister for Economic Affairs.

### **Dr. David SCOTT**

Dr. David SCOTT holds a PhD from the University of Lancaster. He joined the Brunel University in 1992. As a Lecturer at Brunel University, Dr. Scott has worked on Asian religions and inter-faith issues, on Asian history and East-West encounters and on international relations. Dr. Scott’s research covers three main topics: the rise of China in the international system, the rise of India in the international system, and East-West encounters (esp. Orientalism). Three books have been written by him on China’s role in the international system. Alongside various articles on China’s



public diplomacy and soft power drive, he has also published on the EU-China strategic partnership, environmental cooperation, and dialogue processes.

## **PANEL TWO: ENVIRONMENTAL DIPLOMACY**

### **Chair:**

#### **Ms. Alexandra SOMBTHAY**

Ms. Alexandra SOMBTHAY is a graduate from the Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne University and from the College of Europe. Since 2006, she has been a Policy Officer in DG Energy at the European Commission in charge of China, India and South East Asia Relations. Prior to this position, she worked as Energy Policy Officer in the European Commission Delegation in Beijing. Before joining the European Commission, Ms Sombsthay was the International Affairs Coordinator of the Head of Legal Section at the Brussels Cabinet of the Environment Minister. She was also Associate Researcher at the Centre for Animation and Research on Political Ecology (Etopia asbl).

### **Speakers:**

#### **Prof. Beatriz PEREZ DE LAS HERAS**

Prof. Beatriz PEREZ DE LAS HERAS graduated from the Institute of European Studies. She also holds a diploma in European Affairs and Communitarian Law from the European University Centre in Nancy. She obtained a PhD in Law from the University of Deusto. Prof. Perez de las Heras is Professor in European Law, Chair holder of the Jean Monnet Chair on Interdisciplinary Studies on European Integration, and Director of the Transnational Law Department at the School of Law at the University of Deusto. She is, as well, Senior Researcher of the European Integration Research Team and Director of the academic journal *Cuadernos Europeos de Deusto*. Prof. Perez de las Heras has taught courses on European legal issues at the Universities of Amsterdam, Oslo, Helsinki, Amiens, Nancy, Pau and the Iberoamerican University in México.

#### **Dr. Diarmuid TORNEY**

Dr. Diarmuid TORNEY holds an MA in Politics from the University College Dublin and DPhil (PhD) from the University of Oxford. In his doctoral thesis he examined the European Union Relations with China and India on Climate Change. Currently, Dr. Torney is a Transatlantic Postdoctoral Fellow at Chatham House, London. From 2011 to 2012 he was Postdoctoral Fellow at Kolleg – Forschergruppe. His research focuses on EU-Asia relations, global environmental politics, European and global climate and energy policy, compliance and the climate change regime.

#### **Dr. Katja BIEDENKOPF**

Dr. Katja BIEDENKOPF holds an MA from the College of Europe in Bruges. Currently, Dr. Biedenkopf is Senior Associate Research Fellow at the Institute for European Studies, which she joined in June 2007. She is also Assistant Professor at the University of Amsterdam where she teaches EU-US Relations, Transnational Governance and EU Policy-Making. In 2011-2012, Dr. Biedenkopf was a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the Free University of Berlin. Her research focuses on the external effects of EU environmental policy, in particular, in the areas of chemicals, climate change and waste.



### **Dr. WANG Xin**

Dr. WANG Xin holds a Master's degree in Environmental Economics and a Master's degree in Economic Analysis from the Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne University. He obtained a PhD in Economics from the University of Science and Technology of Lille. Dr. Wang is a Researcher at the Institute for Sustainable Development and International Relations (IDDRI). He is also Associate Researcher at the Research Centre for Climate and Energy Finance, Beijing Central University of Finance and Economics and at the Economic Forecasting Department of the State Information Centre of China. Dr. Wang's main focus of research includes market based instruments, international trade and energy environment, natural resources and public policy, low-carbon and green finance and China and international relations.

### **Dr. Malte KAEDING**

Dr. Malte KAEDING holds a Magister Atrium in Chinese Studies and Political Science from the University of Heidelberg. He obtained a PhD in Political Science from the Hong Kong Baptist University. Dr. Kaeding is currently a lecturer in International Politics at the School of Politics of the University of Surrey. He is a member of the Hong Kong Transition Project at the Hong Kong Baptist University. He has been Associate Research Fellow at the European Research Centre on Contemporary Taiwan (ERCCT) at the University of Tübingen since 2008. His research interests include identity formation and democratisation in Hong Kong, Macau and Taiwan.

### **Ms. WANG Ningkang**

Ms. WANG Ningkang holds a BSSc degree in Government and International Studies from Hong Kong Baptist University. She graduated in 2012 as a Master majoring in Politics and Communication from London School of Economics and Political Science. Currently she is a PhD candidate researching Environmental Politics and Nationalism in People's Republic of China.

### **Mr. Peter KIRBY-HARRIS**

Mr. Peter Kirby-Harris graduated from the Goldsmiths, University of London. His thesis was on Discourse Analysis and the linguistic framing of Climate Change policy in the UK. Currently, Mr. Kirby-Harris works as a Researcher and Consultant at Second Nature Partnership where he looks into issues relating to Policy, Energy, Climate and Sustainability with a current focus on Unconventional energy sources and cooperatives. He is also affiliated with the Green Economics Institute based at Reading. Mr. Kirby-Harris has written on topics as diverse as EU's fisheries policy, emissions trading, international climate change negotiations, energy security, public policy and bio-regionalism.

## **PANEL THREE: CULTURE DIPLOMACY**

### **Chair:**

### **Prof. Jan MELISSEN**

Prof. Jan MELISSEN graduated from the University of Amsterdam. He obtained a PhD from the Groningen University. Currently, Prof. Melissen is Senior Research Fellow at Netherlands Institute of International Relations "Clingendael". Before joining the Institute in 2011, he was Director of the Centre for the Study of Diplomacy at the University of Leicester. Prof. Melissen is the founding co-editor of *The Hague Journal of Diplomacy*, editor of the *Diplomatic Studies* series published by



Martinus Nijhoff, and on the editorial board of various international journals. He has a wide-ranging research interest in contemporary diplomacy and is currently doing research on trends and innovation in diplomatic practice, public diplomacy in Europe, and soft power and foreign policy strategy in East Asia.

### **Speakers:**

#### **Dr. Michael REITERER**

Dr. Michael REITERER studied Law at the University of Innsbruck (Dr. Juris) and holds diplomas in International Relations from the Johns Hopkins University/Bologna Centre and the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva. In 2005, he was appointed Adjunct Professor for International Politics at the University of Innsbruck. His research focuses on EU foreign policy, EU-Asia relations and inter-regionalism. As an official of the European Union, he is presently Senior Advisor at the Asia-Pacific Department of the European External Action Service (EEAS). Dr. Reiterer previously served as EU-Ambassador to Switzerland and the Principality of Liechtenstein (2007-2011), as Minister/Deputy Head of the EU-Delegation to Japan (2002-2006) and as Counsellor for the Asia Europe Meeting (ASEM).

#### **Dr. James LEE**

Dr. James LEE obtained a PhD from the Peking University. Currently, Dr. Lee is a Visiting Professor at the Research Centre of Citizenship Education attached to Zhengzhou University and a Researcher at the Academic Centre of Chinese Socialism. In 2010 he was a Visiting Researcher at the University of Oxford. He also teaches at the Sichuan Foreign Languages Institute.

#### **Prof. WANG Yiwei**

Dr. WANG Yiwei holds a PhD in International Relations from Fudan University and a Bachelor of Science from the East China University of Science and Technology. Currently, Dr. Wang is Distinguished Professor of Renmin University of China and Director of China-Europe Academic Network. He is also Senior Research Fellow of the Charhar Institute and Contract Research Fellow of the China Centre for Contemporary World Studies at the International Department of CPC. He was formerly Distinguished Professor of Tongji University where he served as Executive Dean of the Institute of International and Public Affairs, Professor at the Centre for American Studies at Fudan University, Adjunct Deputy Director of Department of American Studies of Shanghai Institute for International Studies.

#### **Mr. Emmanuel DUBOIS**

Mr. Emmanuel DUBOIS is a free-lance consultant on intercultural issues between Europe and East Asia, based in Paris. He is a member of the French think-tank *Asie21 - Futuribles* ([Asie21.com](http://Asie21.com)) specialised on Asian issues. Formerly, Mr. Dubois was General Manager (2003-2005) of *Asian Affairs*, a quarterly magazine issued in Hong Kong. He has published articles on Asian issues for the monthly electronic newsletter *Asie21* and the quarterly magazines *Politique Internationale* and *Outre-Terre*.

## PANEL FOUR: EDUCATION DIPLOMACY

### Chair:

#### **Mr. Vito BORRELLI**

Mr. Vito BORRELLI has been working at the European Commission since 1994. After four years in the Translation Service and one year in the Directorate General in charge of Information and Communication, in 1999 he started working in the field of Education and Vocational Training in the DG Education and Culture. For four years Mr. Borrelli was Programme Manager and Country Desk Officer for the "Leonardo da Vinci" Programme. Since 2004, he has been responsible for the general management of the Erasmus Mundus programme and more specifically for issues linked to student mobility (scholarships, visa issues, alumni). He is also responsible for the contacts with External Relations departments to ensure effective implementation of Erasmus Mundus country-specific windows.

### Speakers:

#### **Dr. WANG Xiaohai**

Dr. WANG Xiaohai holds an MA in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics and a PhD in Linguistics and Applied Linguistics from the Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, Guangzhou. Since September 2012 Dr. Wang has been Visiting Scholar at the The Minda de Gunzburg Centre for European Studies, Harvard University. He is Researcher at the School of English for International Business and the Centre for European Studies, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, Guangzhou. Previously, he was Visiting Scholar in universities in Canada, France and the United Kingdom. Dr. Wang's research focuses on Western society and culture, education and innovative policies of the EU, cultural pluralism and assimilation, the interrelationship between language and culture and cross-cultural communication.

#### **Mr. WANG Liuyang**

MR. WANG Liuyang is currently a student at the School of Foreign Studies, Guangzhou University. His major is translation/interpreting, and his research interests include history and ecology of Europe, multilingualism of the EU, and education policies of the EU.

#### **Ms. HONG Natalie**

Ms. HONG Natalie holds a Master's Degree of Science in International Relations from the Nanyang Technological University, Singapore and an International Master's in Economy, State and Society from UCL and the Corvinus University of Budapest. She is a PhD candidate in Political Science at the University of Geneva and the ULB. From 2002 to 2007, Ms. Hong worked at *Xinhua News Agency* as a Liaison Officer at the Foreign Affairs Department and as editor and correspondent at the Department of Home News for Overseas Service.

#### **Dr. Anne-Marie DUGUET**

Dr. Anne-Marie DUGUET is MD and PhD in Law. Currently, she is Senior Lecturer at the Medicine Faculty Toulouse Purpan, Paul Sabatier University, where she teaches medical law and bioethics. In 2010, she was appointed as visiting professor by the Dalian and the Hainan Medical Universities in China. In 2006, she was the President of the 16th World Congress on Medical Law in Toulouse and she is the representative for France in the Board of Governors of the World Association for Medical Law. She is a member of the Advisory Board of the *European Journal of Health Law*, and



Secretary of the European Association of Health law. Dr. Duguet's research is focused on French and European health law, bioethics, ethics in research, ethics in new technologies and ethics in genetics.

#### **Dr. LI Albert**

Dr. LI Albert holds an MSc in European Studies from the London School of Economics and Political Science and a PhD in International Relations from the University of Reading. The title of his doctoral thesis is "The Variation of the EC/EU's External Human Rights Policy: the Cases of China and Burma, 1987-2000". Dr. Li is currently Associate Researcher at the Science and Technology Policy Research and Information Center of the National Applied Research Laboratories (NARL), Taiwan. He is, as well, Adjunct Assistant Professor at the Department of Law, Soochow University. His research interests include multi-level governance, regional political and economic Integration, EU foreign policy and human rights.

#### **Mr. CHANG Ching-Chun**

Mr. CHANG Ching-Chun holds a Master's degree in Political Science from the Graduate Institute of National Development of the National Taiwan University. Currently, he is working as Project Manager at the Information Resources Division at the Science and Technology Policy Research and Information Centre, National Applied Research Laboratory (NARL). Mr. Chang is as well Research Assistant at Research Centre for Electoral Behaviour, at the National Taiwan University.

### **PANEL FIVE: THE EU'S PUBLIC DIPLOMACY AND EU-CHINA RELATIONS**

#### **Chair:**

#### **Prof. Sieglinde GSTÖHL**

Prof. Sieglinde GSTÖHL holds a PhD in Political Science as well as an MA in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva, Switzerland, and an MA in Public Affairs from the University of St. Gallen, Switzerland. Prof. Gstöhl has been Director of the Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies since September 2010 as well as Professor at the College of Europe in Bruges since April 2005. Before joining the College she was Assistant Professor of International Relations at the Institute of Social Sciences at Humboldt University Berlin, Germany. Her research interests include EU external relations, in particular, EU trade policy and external representation, theories of international relations, global governance, international political economy, diplomacy and diplomatic training.

#### **Speakers:**

#### **Prof. Cristina ORTEGA**

Prof. Cristina ORTEGA graduated from the Faculty of Arts and Philosophy from the University of Deusto and completed her studies in London, Middlesex and at Westminster University. She obtained a PhD in Leisure and Human Potential Studies. Prof. Ortega is currently Director of the Institute of Leisure Studies of the Faculty of Social and Human Sciences of the University of Deusto. She is the Principal Researcher of the Official Research Team of Leisure and Human Development of the University of Deusto and a professor in the PhD programme in Leisure and Human Development. She is also President of the European Network of Cultural Administration and Training Centres, promoted by UNESCO and supported by the European Commission.





### **Ms. Silvia Maria GONZALEZ**

Ms. Silvia Maria GONZALEZ has a Master's degree in Occupational Safety and Health from the University of Deusto, a Master's degree in Civil and Commercial Law in China from the Xiamen University, and a Master's degree in Leisure Management at the University of Deusto. Ms. Gonzalez is currently a PhD student in Leisure and Human Development at the Institute of Leisure Studies, University of Deusto. Ms. Gonzalez' research interests include risk management and prevention of accidents, occupational safety, industrial hygiene and ergonomics and cultural management.

### **Dr. Paul IRWIN CROOKES**

Dr. Paul IRWIN CROOKES holds a Master's in International Relations from the University of Cambridge. He obtained a PhD in International Studies from the University of Cambridge. Dr. Irwin Crookes works in the Contemporary China Studies Programme at the University of Oxford. He teaches at the MSc Modern Chinese Studies. Since May 2012, he is Director of Graduate Studies for the Department's MSc in Modern Chinese Studies. He is an active member of the management team at the Asian Studies Centre, St Antony's College. His research focuses on China's re-emergence in the contemporary period, on China's relations with major state and non-state actors, and on the evolving role that the European Union plays in the conduct of broader EU-China relations.

### **Ms. Mireia PAULO**

Ms. Mireia PAULO holds two Bachelors' Degrees in Intercultural - International Studies and Asian Studies from the Autonomous University of Barcelona. She completed her studies in Chinese language and culture at Peking University and obtained an MA in European Political and Administrative Studies at the College of Europe. Ms. Paulo currently works as independent researcher and consultant in cooperation with the Institute of East Asian Politics at the Ruhr-University Bochum, Germany. She previously worked for international organisations such as the United Nations and the European Commission.

Her research focuses on the cooperation between the European Union and the People's Republic of China, foreign policy, financial services, environment and civil society.

## **PANEL SIX: CHINA'S PUBLIC DIPLOMACY AND EU-CHINA RELATIONS**

### **Chair:**

### **Prof. Jing MEN**

Prof. Jing MEN has been the InBev-Baillet Latour Chair of European Union-China Relations since 2008 in the Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, College of Europe,. She obtained a PhD in Political Science (2004) at the Vrije Universiteit Brussel. Her research and teaching have been focusing on Chinese foreign policy and EU-China relations for more than ten years. She is the founder of the electronic journal *EU-China Observer*, launched at the beginning of 2009, where she edits and publishes articles on EU-China relations. Prof. Men has organised four large-scale international conferences on EU-China relations. The fifth conference, which is on "EU-China Soft Diplomacy", is scheduled on 18-19 April 2013.



## Speakers:

### **Prof. Stephan KEUKELEIRE**

Prof. Stephan KEUKELEIRE has been Chairholder of the TOTAL Chair of EU Foreign Policy since 2011 in the Department of EU International Relations and Diplomacy Studies, College of Europe, and is also Jean Monnet Professor of European Foreign Policy at the University of Leuven. He is a graduate of the Universities of Leuven, Hull and Strasbourg and holds a PhD in Political Science of the Catholic University of Leuven. Prof. Keukeleire's research and publications mainly focus on the CFSP, EU diplomacy, structural foreign policy, the role of 'learning' in diplomacy, and the impact of the (re)emerging powers. He is co-author of the widely used textbook *The Foreign Policy of the European Union* (Palgrave Macmillan).

### **Prof. PANG Chinglin**

Prof. PANG Chinglin holds an MA in Oriental Philology from Catholic University of Leuven, and an MA in Asian Studies from UC Berkeley, an MA and PhD in Social and Cultural Anthropology from the Catholic University of Leuven. Currently, Prof. Pang teaches courses related to China, globalisation, migration and identity in the Faculty of Social Sciences at the Catholic University of Leuven and in the Business Department at HEC-ULg. Her research focuses on migration policies, mobility and intercultural flows between and in China and Belgium/EU. Prof. Pang is member of European and Asian networks in the area of anthropology, ethnicity, urban studies and development. Furthermore, she has done consultancy work for the International Organisation for Migration, the Belgian Foreign Affairs Department, and the Flemish administration of culture.

### **Ms. Floor KEULEERS**

Ms. Floor KEULEERS has a Master's degree in Comparative and International Politics from the Catholic University of Leuven and an MPhil in Development Studies from the University of Cambridge. Since September 2012, she has been Doctoral Researcher and Teaching Assistant at the Catholic University of Leuven.

### **Dr. Rogier CREEMERS**

Dr. Rogier CREEMERS holds a Master's degree in International Relations and Conflict Management from the Catholic University of Leuven. He obtained a PhD from the Maastricht University. In his doctoral thesis he analysed the relationship between intellectual property infringement and media law in China. Currently, Dr. Creemers works at the Programme for Comparative Media Law and Policy, University of Oxford. He is a member of the European China Law Studies Association, the Euro-China Academic Network (ECAN), the Belgian Royal Institute for International Relations, and the Belgian Chinese Language Association. His principal research interests focus on the development of media law, regulation and jurisprudence in China, and its relationship with political change, particularly in the digital era.

### **Dr. SONG Lilei**

Dr. SONG Lilei graduated from the School of International Relations and Public Affairs at Fudan University in 2009. Her doctoral thesis "European Neighbourhood Policy and EU's External Governance" was published by the Shanghai People's Press in July 2011. Currently, Dr. Song is Associate Professor at the School of Politics and International Relations at the Tongji University, where she teaches a course on "China's Foreign Affairs and International Relations" both in Chinese and English. She was an academic staff of the EMECW LOT14 Program in Vrije Universiteit



Brussel, Belgium (2010) and a visiting scholar to the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign (UIUC) in 2012. Her research areas include Sino-EU relations and Diplomacy.

## CLOSING SPEECH

### Mr. Henk KOOL

Mr. Henk KOOL graduated from the College of Social Studies and the School of Journalism in Utrecht. He has extensive experience in broadcast and print journalism. In 1996, he became Director of the communications consulting firm Henk Kool, Communicatie en Advies. Since 1999, Mr. Kool has served as Director of the Nederlands Participatie Instituut. He is member of the Board of the European Federation for Employed Shareholders and of the International Association of Financial Participation. Mr. Kool is Editor-in-chief of *Pro&Contra*, the magazine for members of the Dutch Labour Party (PvdA). From April 2006 to May 2010, he was also The Hague's alderman for Social Affairs, Employment and the Economy.