



Seminar on Digital Union

Workshop I

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How to overcome inequalities in Digital Europe with respect to employment, business models, taxation and social security systems?

28th January 2016 from 11:30 - 13:00
Room A3G3 (In English only)
European Parliament, Alfiero Spinelli Building

Aim of the workshop:

Identify the main structural changes and find policy gaps and legislative shortcomings, created by the digital revolution looking at the European employment, business models, taxation and social security systems. Define S&D priorities.

Experts:

- **Jutta Steinruck** - MEP EMPL
- **Evelyne GEBHARDT** - Rapporteur of draft report on "Towards a Digital Single Market Act"
- **Peter SCHERRER** - Deputy General Secretary, ETUC
- **Cristiano RADAELLI** - President of Anitec, the Italian Association of Informatics, Telecommunications and Consumer Electronics, Italy
- **Paul-André BARAN** - Digital Champion of Romania **tbc**
- DG EMPL **tbc**

Expert's biographies:

Peter SCHERRER - Deputy General Secretary, ETUC



Peter Scherrer was elected as ETUC Deputy Secretary General at the Paris Congress in 2015 having, previously worked for the German Metalworkers' Trade Union (IG Metall) in Frankfurt, where he held the post of European Industrial Policy officer.

Before that, he spent three years (2011-2014) as Labour Director with ArcelorMittal Bremen, and was General Secretary of the European Metalworkers' Federation (EMF) from 2005-2011.

Peter was born in Clarholz, Westphalia in Germany. He started his working life at the age of 14 as an apprentice metalworker, and was

later employed as a welder, truck driver and postman. During the 1980s, he studied history, social sciences and journalism in Germany and the UK, obtaining a Master's degree in history from the University of Bielefeld in 1989. From 1990 onwards, Peter held a number of trade union and NGO positions in Germany and the Balkans. From 1998-2002 he was Editor-in-Chief of the South-East Europe Review for Labour and Social Affairs (SEER).

Cristiano RADAELLI - President of Anitec, the Italian Association of Informatics, Telecommunications and Consumer Electronics, Italy



Appointed as Commissioner of the Italian Agency for tourism - ENIT by the Italian Government in June 2014. President of Anitec, the Italian Association of Informatics, Telecommunications and Consumer Electronics, Member of the Executive Board of DigitalEurope, the Association representing ICT at EU level and active Member of the Operational and Strategic working group. He has been Vice President of Confindustria Digitale, the Italian Federation representing ICT companies operating in Italy from June 2011 to July 2014.

He began my career in GTE (General Telecommunications and Electronics), moving afterwards to Siemens, Italtel and Nokia Siemens Networks, having global management responsibilities in Research & Development, Operations, Marketing, Sales, Business Administration and Control. I was resident for several years in the United States. He writes articles on economics, management and digital agenda. I served four years as Vice President of the Blood Donator Association of Milan. The President of the Italian Republic awarded him "Stella al merito del lavoro", the Mayor of Sesto San Giovanni, Italy nominated him "Cittadino benemerito" and the Trade Chamber of Milan gave him the prize "Milano Produttiva".

Paul-André BARAN - Digital Champion of Romania **tbc**



Mr. Baran's responsibilities are to revise the Romanian-American Foundation's organizational strategy to reflect new organizational objectives in technology and innovation. Mr. Baran is collaborating with a broad range of stakeholders including multinational industry representatives, local entrepreneurs, University professors, investors, and others to define new programming investments in higher education reform aimed at graduating future entrepreneurs with the skills-sets necessary to succeed and employees that meet the needs of their employers.

In April of 2015, as the Program Director for IREX in Romania, I successfully completed the Biblionet program. Biblionet was a 26.9 million dollar program funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation over the course of six years. We succeeded to improve the lives of Romanians by providing free access to computers and the internet through public libraries. As a result of the widespread impact of the Biblionet program, I was named Digital Champion by the Romanian Government.