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## Round-Table Conference-Luncheon with Speaker

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Commissioner for Better Regulation, Interinstitutional Relations, the Rule of Law  
and the Charter of Fundamental Rights

**EUROPEAN COMMISSION**

***“Dealing with regulatory burden”***

hosted by

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Director EU Affairs and Head of the Brussels office,  
**DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY**

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## **BEN SMULDERS - BIOGRAPHY**

- Since November 2014, **Head of Cabinet of the First Vice President of the European Commission, Frans Timmermans**  
March 2008-October 2014: **Director and Principal Legal Advisor, Head of the Institutional Law & Economic and Monetary Union Team, Legal Service, European Commission**, acted in more than 90 cases relating to various fields of EU law before the General Court and the Court of Justice of the European Union as well as the EFTA Court; member of the Commission delegation at more than 25 European Council meetings.
- December 2004-February 2008: **Head of Cabinet of the European Commissioner for Competition Neelie Kroes.**
- September 2000-November 2004: **Member of Cabinet of the European Commission President Romano Prodi.**
- September 1999-August 2000: **Member of Cabinet of the European Commissioner for the Internal Market, Taxation and Customs Union Frits Bolkestein.**
- January 1995-August 1999: **Member of Cabinet of the European Commissioner for External Relations and Enlargement Hans van den Broek.**
- January 1991-December 1994: **Member of the European Commission Legal Service:** 1993-94, Member of the *Antitrust & Merger & State aid Control Team*; 1991-92, member of the *Internal Market and Economic and Monetary Union Team*.
- March 1985-December 1990: **advocate, member of the Amsterdam Bar**, practising consecutively in the **Banking & Company Law, Intellectual Property Law** and **EU Law department of NautaDutilh**, co-managing its Brussels office from 1988-1990 and elected **partner** in that firm in June 1990.

### **Other professional activities**

- Substitute judge (*'Raadsheer Plaatsvervanger'*) in the **Court of Appeal of The Hague** (since 2012)
- Part-time professor of International and European Competition law at the **Vrije Universiteit Brussel** (2013-2016); Visiting Professor of EMU law at the **Bruges College of Europe** (since 2013), part time lecturer in various fields of EU law at the **Collegio europeo di Parma** (since 2003), the **Université de Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne) & II (Panthéon-Assas)** (since 2007), the **Europa Institute of Amsterdam University** (1992-2007) and the **Grotius Academie of the Radboud University Nijmegen** (1994-2005).
- Member of the editorial board of **Common Market Law Review** (since 2008); collaborator of the **Nederlands Tijdschrift voor Europees Recht** (Netherlands Journal of European Law) (2001-2006).
- President of the board of governors (*Curatorium*) of the **Europa Institute of Leiden University** (since 2002); member of the scientific board of the **College of Europe's Global Competition Law Centre** (since 2009); Member of the management board of the **Nederlandse Vereniging voor Europees Recht** (Dutch section of *Fédération Internationale du Droit Européen*) (2003-2012); Member of the Advisory Committee for the Vienna **European Law Institute** project *Towards Restatement and Best Practices Guidelines on EU Administrative Procedural Law* (since 2014).

- Member of selection panels for **NATO** 's Chief Legal Advisor (2008 and 2013), member of the selection panel for members of the **European Commission's European Group on Ethics** (2010), member of the selection panel for the Chief Legal Advisor of the **European Asylum Support Office** (2011).
- Member of the supervisory board of the **Amsterdam Foundations of Catholic Education** (*Amsterdamse Stichtingen voor Katholiek Onderwijs*) (1987-1990).

### **Education & diplomas**

- Senior executive education programs: November 2010, certificate of the **London Business School's Essentials of Leadership** Programme, September 2011, certificate of **INSEAD's Managerial Skills for International Business** Programme.
- 1984-1985, traineeship in the **European Commission's Directorate General for Competition**.
- 1984: degree of Master of Laws (LL.M), **London School of Economics and Political Science**.
- 1983: degree of Master of Laws (LL.M), **Leiden University**.

### **Languages**

Dutch (mother tongue), English (fluent), French (fluent), German (proficient), Italian (proficient).

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