

STAVROS LAMBRINIDIS EUSR for Human Rights

Stavros Lambrinidis is the **EU Special Representative for Human Rights** since August 2012.

In 2011, he was Minister for Foreign Affairs of Greece.

Between 2004 and 2011 he was *Member of the European Parliament* with the Greek Social Democratic Party (PASOK) and served as Head of the PASOK Delegation to the EP. In July 2009 he was elected *Vice-President of the European Parliament*, in charge of the Bureau's *International Relations* and the Parliament's *Communications Policy*. He was also responsible for the Bureau's *Transatlantic Relations* and for *relations with International Organizations*. Between 2004 and 2009 he was *Vice-President* of the Parliament's *Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs Committee (LIBE)*. He has been Parliament's *Rapporteur* on issues such as the *Promotion of Security and Fundamental Rights in the Internet Age*; the *Integration of Immigrants in Europe*; the *Protection of Critical Infrastructures against terrorist threats*; and *Shadow Rapporteur* for the *Processing of Personal Data and the Protection of Privacy in the electronic communications sector*.

Before that, Mr. Lambrinidis served as *Ambassador ad personam* of the Hellenic Republic (1999-2004); *Secretary General of the Greek Foreign Ministry responsible for expatriate Greeks* (1996-99); and *chief of staff* to the Greek Foreign Affairs Minister (1996).

Between 2000 and 2004, he was *Director General* of the *International Olympic Truce Center*, an International Olympic Committee Organization.

From 1988 to 1993 he worked as an *Attorney* at *Wilmer*, *Cutler & Pickering* in Washington, D.C., specializing in International Trade, Transactions and Arbitration.

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