

## CURRICULUM VITAE

An experienced leader and respected authority on European development cooperation with research, policy, advisory and public affairs experience in political and parliamentary environments

**Professional Experience**

- 2011 – Specialist advisor to the House of Commons, International Development Committee, UK**  
Provide expert advice to Committee members on EU development cooperation on request, both in writing and in oral presentations
- 2008 – Overseas Development Institute, London, UK**  
*Research Associate*  
Consultancy, advisory, research and project management, including: managing ODI's European Development Cooperation Strengthening Programme and staff; providing research-based solutions and options on EU development cooperation; advising policy-makers, parliamentarians and senior officials in the UK, other EU Member States and EU institutions; enhancing understanding of the policy debate; and engaging and supporting a network of high-level EU policy-makers and academics.
- 2007 – 2008 UK Department for International Development (DFID), London, UK**  
*Policy Advisor*  
Responsible for leading DFID's analysis on reform of EU external action, representing DFID in the negotiations with other government departments and EU Member States and briefing DFID Ministers. Project manager and lead author of DFID's EU Institutional Strategy Paper. Project lead and researcher on the assessment of the European Commission's aid programme as part of the Multilateral Organisation Performance Assessment Network, on behalf of the UK. Developed and advised on strategies for engaging and promoting DFID's priorities with civil society organisations across Europe.
- 2007 Oxfam GB, Non-Governmental Organisation, Oxford, UK**  
*EU Policy Advisor*  
Responsible for developing Oxfam's strategy of engagement with the EU; providing strategic advice to the Directors of Oxfam International on the workings and policy of the EU and identifying influencing opportunities; producing research reports and communications strategies, setting out priorities and synergies between Oxfam's work and opportunities for engagement with EU institutions and Member States.
- 2002 – 2007 BOND, Network of 300 International Development NGOs, London, UK**  
*EU Policy Officer*  
Five years leading BOND's EU work, shaping strategy, managing staff and increasing impact. Responsibility for leading the European Policy Group, a 'think tank' of EU policy experts, and representing the group in the UK and Europe; researching and writing policy papers and commissioning research; presenting to wide-ranging audiences, including oral evidence to UK and EU parliamentary inquiries; and budgeting, monitoring income and expenditure and developing funding opportunities. Chaired an EU-wide group of policy specialists and represented the group to EU policy and decision makers.
- 2001 – 2002 Saferworld, Non-Governmental Organisation, London, UK**  
*Parliamentary Officer*
- 2000 European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium**  
*Political Researcher to Member of the European Parliament*
- 1999 – 2000 European Commission, Brussels, Belgium**  
*Trainee in the Secretariat General of the European Commission*

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## Academic Qualifications

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| 1998-1999 | <b>London School of Economics and Political Science, London, UK</b><br><u>MSC INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS</u>                  |
| 1994-1998 | <b>University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK</b><br><u>BA (JOINT HONOURS) EUROPEAN POLITICS AND FRENCH</u>                    |
| 1996-1997 | <b>University of Human Sciences, Strasbourg, France</b><br><u>DEUG (DIPLÔME D'ÉTUDES UNIVERSITAIRES GÉNÉRALES) HISTORY</u> |

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## Languages

|                           | <u>Written</u> | <u>Spoken</u> |
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| • English (mother tongue) |                |               |
| • French                  | Fluent         | Fluent        |
| • Greek                   | Fluent         | Fluent        |

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## Selected Publications & Articles

- (October 2011): 'EU development policy: ambitious agenda for change or the same old story?' German Development Institute (DIE) (The Current Column)
  - (June 2011): 'The EU's Multi-Annual Financial Framework Post-2013: Options for EU Development Cooperation', The European Think-Tanks Group (Briefing Paper)
  - (January 2011): 'EU Blending Facilities: Implications for Future Governance Options', The European Think-Tanks Group (Research Paper)
  - (December 2010): 'Financing European Development Cooperation: The Financial Perspectives 2014-2020', Overseas Development Institute (Background Note)
  - (October 2010): 'A U-Turn on the European External Action Service? Where is Development?' Overseas Development Institute (EDCSP Opinion)
  - (July 2010): 'Indicators of a Successful European External Action Service', with Simon Maxwell, Overseas Development Institute (Evidence for House of Lords Enquiry)
  - (July 2010): 'Consolidation or Cooperation: the Future of EU Development Cooperation', with Deborah Johnson & Simon Maxwell, German Development Institute (DIE) (Discussion Paper)
  - (June 2010): 'Result! A Development-Proof European External Action Service. Almost', Overseas Development Institute (EDCSP Opinion)
  - (May 2010): 'Global Governance of the Aid System and the Role of the EU', with Owen Barder, Deborah Johnson & Simon Maxwell, Spanish EU Presidency, ICEI (Research Paper)
  - (May 2010): 'European Development Policy', Overseas Development Institute (Briefing Paper)
  - (April 2010): 'Setting up the European External Action Service: Building a Comprehensive Approach', with Eleonora Koeb, Overseas Development Institute (Background Note)
  - (February 2010): 'New Challenges, New Beginnings: Next Steps in European Development Cooperation', The European Think-Tanks Group (Report)
  - (September 2009): 'Getting the EU's development architecture right', in *The Broker*
  - (August 2009): 'Options for Architectural Reform in EU Development Cooperation', with Simon Maxwell, Overseas Development Institute (Background Note)
  - (April 2009): 'The Evolution of EU Development Cooperation: Taking the Change Agenda Forward', Overseas Development Institute (Conference Paper)
  - (May 2007): 'Global Security or Poverty Eradication: The Politics of the European Union's Development Assistance in the New Cold War', in *Journal on Review of African Political Economy*
  - (June 2006): 'European Community Aid: At the Forefront of Poverty Reduction or Global Security?' in *Reality of Aid 2006*, IBON
  - (May 2005): 'Europe's Role in Making Poverty History', BOND
  - (May 2004): 'Civil Society Participation in EC Aid: A Cornerstone of Good Governance', in *Reality of Aid 2004*, IBON
  - (November 2003): 'An Uncertain Future: The Missing Debate on EC Foreign Assistance', in *Humanitarian Affairs Review*
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