# Conflicts of interest: the ethical thin red line between conflict and crime

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### **PROGRAMME**

13:45 Registration

14:00 Welcome and introduction by Chair: Rosalind Wright CB QC, Chair, Fraud Advisory Panel

14:15 William Dinan, ALTER-EU

Lobbies and conflicts of interest

14:45 Questions and answers

14:55 Monica Macovei, MEP

The European Parliament's response to conflicts of interest

15:35 Questions and answers

15:45 Coffee/Tea

16:00 **Philippa Foster Back OBE**, Director, Institute of Business Ethics **Business ethics and conflicts of interest** 

16:30 Questions and answers

16:40 Professor Jean-Bernard Auby, SciencesPo, Paris; Director, Mutations de l'Action Publique et du Droit Public The Debate on Conflicts of Interest in France

17:10 Questions and answers

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### **SPEAKERS**

**William Dinan** is a steering committee member of the Alliance for Lobbying Transparency and Ethics Regulation (ALTER-EU), a founding member of Spinwatch and a Lecturer in Sociology at the University of the West of Scotland. He has been researching ethics in public policy-making and the lobbying industry in the UK and the EU for over a decade. Publications include: 'A Century of Spin: How Public Relations Became the Cutting Edge of Corporate Power' (Co-Author with David Miller forthcoming, 2008, Pluto Press) and 'Thinker, Faker, Spinner, Spy: Corporate PR and the Assault on Democracy' (Edited by William Dinan and David Miller, 2007, Pluto Press).

Monica Macovei is a member of the European Parliament in the European People's Party Group, elected in Romania in 2009. She served as Romania's Minister of Justice from 2005 to 2007, and received international recognition and awards for her anti-corruption initiatives and justice reforms that allowed Romania to enter the European Union. In the European Parliament, she is the head of the Delegation to the EU-Moldova Parliamentary Cooperation Committee and member of the Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs (LIBE) and Budgetary Control (CONT) Committees, the Delegation to the Euronest Parliamentary Assembly, and substitute in the Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET). She was a legal expert for the Council of Europe and other international organisations, has successfully represented applicants before the European Court of Human Rights, and has published on human rights and judicial matters. Macovei is a member of the Central European University Board of Trustees and a founding member of Transparency International, Romanian Chapter, and other NGOs. Macovei joined the leadership of the Liberal Democrat Party, Romania, in May 2011 as vice-president.

Philippa Foster Back, OBE began her career at Citibank NA before joining Bowater in their Corporate Treasury Department in 1979, leaving in 1988 as Group Treasurer. She was Group Finance Director at DG Gardner Group, a training organisation, prior to joining Thorn EMI in 1993 as Group Treasurer until 2000. In 2001 she was appointed Director of the Institute of Business Ethics. As Director of the Institute she is responsible for raising awareness and spreading best practice in the field of business ethics. She also served on the Woolf Committee 2007/8 looking at ethical business practice in BAE Systems plc; and has been appointed to the Advisory Board of the Centre for Corporate Reputation at the Saïd Business School at Oxford University and consequently as a Visiting Fellow of the University. She is Vice Chairman of the Board of the Institute of Directors on the Board of the Chartered Institute for Securities & Investment (CISI). She is also a member of the Advisory Board of RAND Europe. In 2006 she was awarded the OBE for services to the Ministry of Defence where she was formerly a NED and Chair of the Defence Audit Committee. In 2008 she was awarded the BITC M&S Sieff Award.

**Jean-Bernard Auby** is a Professor of Public Law at Sciences Po, Paris and the Director of "Mutations de l'Action Publique et du Droit Public" (Changes in Governance and Public Law). He was a Visiting Professor at Oxford University and Deputy Director of the Institute of European and Comparative Law (1998-2000). He is a Member of the advisory boards of: "European Public Law" (Wolters Kluwers), the "Review of European Administrative Law" (Europa Law Publishing), the "International and Comparative Law Quarterly" (British Institute of International and Comparative Law) and the "European Review of Public Law" (Esperia Publications). His main publications are: '*Droit de l'urbanisme et la construction*', Montchrestien, 9th edition, 2011; '*Droit des collectivités locales*', Presses Universitaires de France, 4th edition, 2008; '*Droit de la fonction publique*', Dalloz, 5th edition, 2009; '*Droit administratif des biens*', Dalloz, 5th edition, 2011; '*La globalisation, le droit et l'Etat, Montchrestien*', 2d ed., 2010; '*La décentralisation et le droi't*, Librairie Générale de Droit et de Jurisprudence, 2006.