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Karl BERGQUIST has worked as administrator within the European Space Agency's International Relations Department since 1993. His career path evolved throughout his involvement in ESA and he is presently in charge of relations with China, Russia and Israel. Before working at ESA, he worked for the Swedish national aid agency from 1992-1993.

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David FOUQUET had a long career as a journalist covering foreign, security and economic relations for leading publications, such as The Washington Post, Newsweek and Janes Defence Weekly in Washington, London and Brussels. He then became a consultant for major international companies, lecturer and writer concentrating on European-Asian relations since the mid-1990s. He has been involved in EU-sponsored international projects, lectured and participated in conferences throughout Asia and Europe.

David Fouquet has written and contributed to books on NATO and Asia and written and presented papers on various subjects revolving around EU-Asia relations and China's foreign and security relations and policy. He has been active for many years as a board member, secretary general and other positions with the European Institute for Asian Studies based in Brussels, a lecturer on Asian issues with the Centre Europeen de Recherches International et Strategiques in Brussels, and as director of the Asia-Europe Project. He also collaborates with a number of European and Asian think tanks, universities and media organisations.

Agnieszka LUKASZCZYK is European Program Manager for Secure World Foundation. With experience in the international space policy arena, at an executive level, Lukaszczyk has become known throughout the space industry as a thought leader and collaborative facilitator. Currently, Lukaszczyk is based in Brussels, Belgium where she is spearheading and actively facilitating international dialogue regarding space policy. Her work involves working with the European institutions on space policy matters. In addition Agnieszka Lukaszczyk works closely with the United Nations (UN) civil space activities covering the

UN Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space (COPUOS) and working closely with the UN Office of Outer Space Affairs (OOSA). Since 2006, Lukaszczyk has served as the Executive Officer for the Space Generation Advisory Council (SGAC) in support of the UN Programme on Space Applications, and is now SGAC Chairperson. In addition, during the period of September 2006 to June 2008, Agnieszka was a researcher at the European Space Policy Institute. Agnieszka is also the Vice President – Europe for World Space Week.

Agnieszka Lukaszczyk holds a Bachelor's of Science in Political Science, from the University of Tennessee and a Masters from the American University School of International Service in International Politics. She also studied at the Universite Catholique de Louvain in Brussels, Belgium; the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland and the World Trade Institute in Berne, Switzerland. She gained professional experience at the Political Section of the Polish Embassy in Washington DC, American Electronics Association in Brussels, European Department of the Polish Senate in Warsaw and the Warsaw Business Journal.

Gongling SUN has been chief representative of CASC (China Aerospace Science and Technology Corporation) Europe since 1 June 2009. He held a number of positions in China Academy of Launch Vehicle Technology (CALT), including system engineer of launcher design and project manager of satellite launching services for foreign clients from 1988 to May 1994. Then he was appointed as Assistant to General Designer of China Manned Space program from 1994 to June 2000. After the success of first testing flight of China Manned Space Program, he was appointed as managing director of EurasSpace GmbH, a JV between EADS of CASC, based in Munich Germany from July 2000 to October 2008. Afterwards, he shortly served as deputy director CASC president office.

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