

Agnieszka Bartol

Biography

On 25 November 2022, Agnieszka Bartol was appointed by the Council as Director-General for Communication and Information. A Polish national, she is currently director, Head of Cabinet of the Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union.

After having studied and worked at the College of Europe in Natolin, Poland, she became a Polish civil servant in the Office of the Committee for European Integration before her country became a member of the EU. She was then seconded to become a member of the Secretariat of the Convention on the Constitutional Treaty – the only member from one of the acceding countries. She joined the General Secretariat of the Council in 2003, initially as a member of the team supporting the Intergovernmental Conference on the Constitutional Treaty.

Before becoming Head of the Private Office in 2016, Agnieszka spent over a decade working on policy matters within the General Secretariat, in a range of areas. Starting with the cohesion policy legislative package for the period 2007-2013, she then worked in the area of financial services. In 2009, she was advising on institutional questions such as the implementation of the Lisbon Treaty and the establishment of the European External Action Service. Since 2009, she has been working mainly on the 2014-2020 multiannual financial framework and European Council matters.

Since 2016, in her role as Head of Cabinet, she has provided advice and support to the Secretary-General in all areas of activity, including European Council activities, communication, institutional and organisational matters, as well as ensuring horizontal coordination among directorates-general. She is a member of various internal bodies and committees within the General Secretariat.

Throughout her career, she has gained in-depth experience in a wide range of European policy areas and a thorough knowledge and understanding of the Council and European Council.