

	<p>Martin SEYCHELL</p>
<p>Nationality:</p>	<p>Maltese</p>
<p>Academic qualifications:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Bachelor of Pharmaceutical Technology (Honours) from the University of Malta – Second Class Lower Honours degree. Subjects covered: Chemistry, Biology, Industrial Chemistry, Pharmaceutics, Management. Four years full time course.
<p>Professional experience in the European Institutions:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Since 16 January 2021: Deputy Director-General responsible for Directorates G and R in DG “International Partnerships” <i>previously named “International Cooperation and Development Communication (DEVCO)</i> ➤ July 2020 – January 2021: Deputy Director-General – International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO) ➤ March 2011 - to June 2020: Deputy Director-General in the Health and Food Safety's Directorate-General (SANTE). Responsible for directorates dealing with Consumer affairs, Public health and Health systems and products. <i>To note: DG Health and Consumers (SANCO) became DG Health and Food Safety (SANTE) on 1 January 2015.</i>
<p>Professional experience before joining the European Institutions:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ October 2006 - February 2011: Director Environment Protection, Malta Environment & Planning Authority. Responsible for implementation of environmental legislation in Malta under the Environment Protection Act, including input into national environmental policy and integration of environmental considerations into other policies; Responsible for implementation of legislation on environmental permitting, environmental assessment, biodiversity (including GMOs), environmental risk (chemicals, noise, air quality, radiation), waste management, water and marine policy. Between 2006 and 2009 also responsible for implementation of legislation on climate change. <p>Maltese member on the Management Board of the European Environment Agency (EEA). Represented EEA Management Board in shortlisting process for EEA Scientific Committees and review of EEA Topic Centres.</p> <p>Responsible for coordinating technical and legal advice to the Office of the Prime Minister (OPM) in the formulation and development of the Maltese national position on EC legislative proposals directly or indirectly related to the environment. Responsible for participation in various Council Working Parties (Environment), comitology meetings and other technical meetings; Responsible for coordinating Maltese position under various multilateral agreements in the area of environment. Co-ordination of and ensuring consultation with stakeholders on all aspects related to EC policies and proposals, as well as implementation aspects.</p> <p>Responsible for liaison with line Ministries so as to ensure effective synergy between environmental and all other relevant policies. Advising the Ministry responsible for the environment (currently the Office of the Prime Minister) prior to and during high level meetings at European level, including the Environment Council. Regularly attending Environment Council meetings as part of the Ministerial delegation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ January 2001 – October 2006: Head of the Foodstuffs, Chemicals & Cosmetics Directorate, Malta Standards Authority, Ministry for Competitiveness & Communications. Responsible for implementation of EU chemical and cosmetics safety legislation in Malta under the Product Safety Act; Responsible for adoption and implementation of EU legislation in the areas of food labelling, additives, GMOs & novel foods, geographical indications; Responsible for coordinating technical and legal advice to the Ministry for Competitiveness & Communications (MCMP) in the formulation and development of the Maltese national position on EC legislative proposals in the areas of food safety, chemicals and cosmetic products (Free Movement of Goods). ➤ November 1997 - January 2001: Technical Co-ordinator, Malta Standards Authority ➤ February 1986 - November 1997: Professional Officer, Malta Standards Laboratory, Department of Industry
<p>Other professional activities:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Represented Malta on the 'Sherpa' group set up by the President of the European Commission to advise on GMO policy (2008). ➤ Represented Malta in meetings of the ad hoc Council Working Party on REACH between 2004 and 2006. ➤ Represented Malta in meetings of the Council Working Party (Environment) dealing with proposals on mercury and soil. ➤ Between 2002 and 2004 formed part of the CEEC Task Force, set up by the European Association of Cosmetics Manufacturers (COLIPA) to assist accession countries in the implementation of the Cosmetic Products Directive.
<p>Language Skills:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Maltese, English (mother tongue) ➤ Italian, French