

## Barbara Buchner



Barbara Buchner is an analyst at the International Energy Agency of Paris (IEA), where she focuses on the Kyoto Protocol and studies different possible approaches to the greenhouse effect, with the objective of analyzing the consequences of various energy and climate policies.

She is responsible for climate change and environmental economics projects in the Energy Efficiency & Environment Division, where part of her work involves studying the role of carbon finance as a driver for investment in high efficiency-low emissions technology.

Until 2006, as Senior Researcher at the *Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei* (FEEM) of Venice, she focused on climate change, sustainable development and clean development.

She was also a visiting scholar at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) in the Global Change & Center for Energy and Environmental Policy Research (CEEPR).

Her research has been published in a number of papers and articles and she has been a frequent presence at international conferences and workshops.

## Mario Monti



Mario Monti is currently President of the *Università Bocconi* of Milan and its former Rector (1989-2004) and Honorary President of *Bruegel*, a think tank supported by 16 Member States and 28 multinational corporations founded in Brussels in 2005, of which he was the first president.

He is a member of the Europe 2020 - 2030 think tank, instituted by the European Council and chaired by Felipe Gonzalez. He was also part of the *Commission pour la libération de la croissance française* instituted by the President of the French Republic, Nicolas Sarkozy, and chaired by Jacques Attali (2007 - 2008).

He held a seat on the European Commission for ten years, initially in charge of "Internal Market, Financial Services and Financial Integration, Customs, and Taxation" (1995-1999) and then of "Competition" (1999-2004). As European Union Coordinator for the trans-European electrical interconnection project between France and Spain (2007-2008) he guided the two governments to an agreement after twenty years of deadlock.

He is the author of numerous publications on monetary and financial economics, fiscal policy, European integration and competition.

## Gabriele Riccardi



Medical doctor and nutritionist, Gabriele Riccardi is a professor of Endocrinology and Metabolic Pathologies at the *Università degli Studi* of Naples "Federico II", where he has also been director of the Human Nutrition department since 2008.

In 2008 he was named President Elect of the *Società Italiana di Diabetologia* (SID) and member of the Steering Committee of the Council on Nutrition, Physical Activity and Metabolism of the American Heart Association.

From 2002 to 2005, he was Director of the Body Weight Regulation, Insulin Sensitivity and Diabetes Risk Group for the European Community action plan on the Process for the Assessment of Scientific Support for Claims on Foods.

Additionally, from 1997 to 2003, he was a member of the Scientific Committee on Nutrition at the International Life Science Institute (ILSI) of Brussels, and up to 2002 he was a member of the Education Committee of the Italian Endocrinology Society.

Over the course of his career, he has collaborated with prestigious European and American research groups and has been part of the editorial board of a number of scientific journals.

His research results have been published in the major international journals of nutrition, diabetology and metabolism.

## Camillo Ricordi



Recognized in the field as one of the world's foremost scientists in the field of cellular transplants, Ricordi invented the process that has made it possible to isolate human pancreas insulin-producing cells and executed the first series of clinical transplants of pancreatic islets which have shown promising results in the treatment of diabetes.

Camillo Ricordi is Professor of Surgery, Medicine, Biomedical Engineering, Microbiology and Immunology at the University of Miami. He is also Chief of the Cellular Transplant Division and of the Department of Surgery and Scientific Director and Chief Academic Officer of the Diabetes Research Institute at the University of Miami School of Medicine.

Since 2007, Camillo Ricordi has held the position of Adjunct Professor at the Institute for Regenerative Medicine at the Wake Forest University School of Medicine and at the *Karolinska Institutet* of Stockholm.

Professor Ricordi was President of the Cell Transplant Society (1992-94), co-founder of the National Diabetes Research Coalition (and President in 1997), and President (1999-2001) of the International Association for Pancreas and Islet Transplantation (IPITA). He is currently a member of the world's foremost bodies in his field of specialization.

He has received numerous awards and honors over the course of his career in many different parts of the world. He has been a member of the editorial committees of various scientific journals and has authored over 500 publications. As an inventor he has seven patents to his credit.

## Joseph Sassoon



Joseph Sassoon is founder and President of Alphanet, an institute specialized in qualitative research and analysis on international communication and image.

For many years he was instructor of Sociology of Communication at the Università degli Studi of Milan.

Formerly, he was in charge of the Communication Research Sector of CRA, an ad hoc research institute in the Nielsen Group.

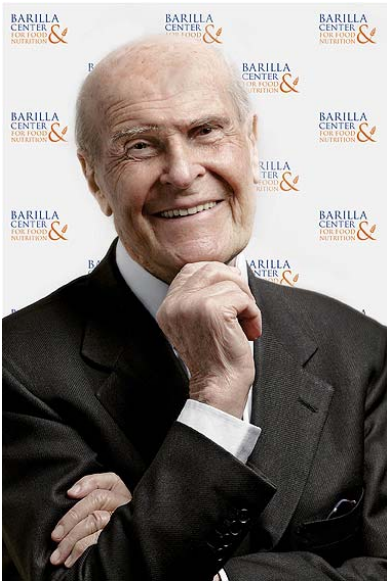
He began working in semiotics applied to marketing research in 1985 (among the first in Italy). In his twenty years of work as a market researcher he has conducted surveys for the major Italian corporations and for the foremost advertising agencies. He also works for international clients in Italy, other European countries, the United States and Asia.

In addition to his analysis of the multifarious forms of company and institutional communications, he also works in the field of predictive studies of medium- and long-term social and cultural trends.

He is a member of *Esomar* and of the Association for Qualitative Research.

As part of his academic work, he had published many essays on the economics and sociology of communication.

## Umberto Veronesi



A medical doctor and scientist who has always been dedicated to the fight against cancer, Umberto Veronesi is Scientific Director of the European Institute of Oncology of Milan.

He is an expert consultant to the Italian Supreme Health Council, President of the International Sentinel Node Society (ISNS), President of the National Oncology Commission of the Italian Health Ministry and member of the Environmental Communication Committee of the Italian Ministry of the Environment and Territorial Protection.

He is also President of Breast Surgery International (BSI), of the International Society of Cancer Chemoprevention and of the Committee of Cancer Experts of the European Commission.

He is Director of the *Scuola Italiana di Senologia (SIS)*, founder of the European Society of Mastology (EUSOMA), of the European School of Oncology (ESO) and of the European Society of Surgical Oncology.

He has received numerous awards and honors in Italy and other countries, including ten honorary degrees. He is a member of the Royal Society of Medicine of London and of the American Association for Cancer Research.

In 2003, the *Fondazione Umberto Veronesi* was instituted with the mission of spreading scientific culture to all levels of society and government with the intention of creating a collective awareness of the issues and choices associated with research.

Umberto Veronesi, who was Health Minister of the Republic of Italy from April 2000 to June 2001, is the author of over 700 publications regarding his scientific work and treatises on oncology.