



**BRIEFING NOTE: Kristalina GEORGIEVA**

<b>Name</b>	Kristalina GEORGIEVA 
<b>First time Commissioner?</b>	Yes
<b>Date of Hearing</b>	Wednesday 3 February 16.30-19.30
<b>Country</b>	Bulgaria
<b>Political Party</b>	-
<b>Previous Bulgarian Commissioner</b>	Meglana Kuneva
<b>Portfolio</b>	International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid and Crisis Response
<b>Services</b>	DG Humanitarian Aid (ECHO) (The Civil Protection Units ENV A.3. and ENV A.4 move to DG ECHO from DG Environment (ENV)).
<b>Personal details</b>	Born 13 August 1953, Sofia, Bulgaria. Married Two children
<b>Current duties</b>	Vice President of the World Bank since 2008
<b>Professional career</b>	2007-2008 in charge of strategy and operations in the World Bank Sustainable Development Fund. 2004-2007 Country Director for the Russian Federation at the World Bank 2000-2004 Director for Environment at the World Bank. 1997-2000 Environment Sector Manager for the East Asia and Pacific Region at the World Bank. 1993-1997 Environmental Economist at the World Bank Before working with the World Bank, Georgieva was Associate Professor of Economics at the University of National and World Economy in Sofia
<b>Education</b>	PhD in economics University of National and World Economy (Sofia) M.A Political Economy and Sociology University of National and World Economy (Sofia)
<b>Languages</b>	Bulgarian: mother tongue English: fluent

<b>FYI....</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ She has been a Guest Professor in Massachusetts Institute of Technology, London School of Economics, Moscow State University, Australian National University, University of the South Pacific and Tshinghua University in China.</li><li>▪ In 2009, Georgieva turned down the opportunity to be in the new Bulgarian Government's cabinet under the GERB party. It was expected that she would be in charge of economy, energy and environment.</li></ul>
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