

# Luxembourg GAIA-X Conference - 25 March 2021

### **WELCOME WORDS**

### Yves Reding *Chairman, Cloud Community Europe Luxembourg - Vice-Chairman, ICTLuxembourg*



Drawing on over 30-year-experience in the ICT and banking sector, Yves Reding launched "European Business Reliance Centre" (EBRC) in 2000 with the aim of developing a European Centre of Excellence in the management and protection of sensitive information.

By positioning the company as a trusted ICT operator in the heart of Europe, Yves and his team elevated EBRC on the international stage. Through their 340 experts based in Luxembourg, in the major French cities and in Morocco, EBRC and its subsidiary Digora offer their clients a one-stop-shop service portfolio ranging from Data Centre, to Cloud, Managed and Cyber-Resilience services; all of which are highly

certified and based on the European values.

Deeply committed in promoting the data centre, cloud services and cyber-resilience in Europe, Yves is the Chairman of "Cloud Community Europe Luxembourg" association, the Vice-President of "ICT Luxembourg", and a member of the Board of Directors of the "European Data Centre Association" (EUDCA) as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the French-Luxembourgish Business Club (BCFL).

## **OPENING SPEECH**

#### Franz Fayot Minister of the Economy, Government of Luxembourg



Franz Fayot is Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs and Minister of the Economy. Mr. Fayot was born on 28 February 1972 in Luxembourg City.

Following secondary school studies at the Athénée de Luxembourg, Franz Fayot pursued a higher education in Luxembourg and Paris, followed by a DEA (post-graduate diploma of advanced studies) in corporate law from the Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne in 1996. Following the cabinet reshuffle on 4 February 2020, Franz Fayot joined the coalition government formed by the Demo-cratic Party (DP), the Luxembourg Socialist Workers' Party (LSAP) and the

Green Party (déi gréng). He was appointed Minister for Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs and Minister of the Economy. From 1997 until his appointment to the government, Franz Fayot worked as a barrister in Luxembourg. Photo: © SIP/Yves Kortum

## INTRODUCTION TO GAIA-X CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

Hubert Tardieu *Chairman of the Board, GAIA-X AISBL* 



After 27 years in Sema then SchlumbergerSema then Atos in various positions including EVP for Global Telecom, Global Finance, Global Consulting& Systems Integration , Hubert Tardieu has been the advisor of Atos CEO helping him to form the vision of what will be our world in 5 years from now. To help him in this task he has formed the Atos Scientific Community in June 2009. This global community comprises now 160 of the top scientists, engineers and forward thinkers from across the Group, with a rich mix of skills and backgrounds. Their latest main publication, a future vision report, is entitled "Journey 2024 - Redefining

Enterprise Purpose". They also produce other publications including whitepapers and blogs and participate in innovation workshops and proof-of-concepts.

Hubert Tardieu is the author of several books on Information System Design Methodology Merise and in March 2020 of: "Deliberately Digital: Rewriting Enterprise DNA for enduring success" Tardieu and all. Springer ed

## GAIA-X: A GERMAN APPROACH TO A EUROPEAN PROJECT

Peter Kraemer *Coordinator of the German GAIA-X Hub* 



Peter has been active in the Gaia-X project since its inception and is serving as the coordinator of the Gaia-X Hub Germany. He is an avid proponent of digital sovereignty and trustworthy infrastructures, having lived in China for many years.

He works for acatech, the German National Academy of Science and Engineering, a publicly mandated think-tank for innovation topics.

## LE GROUPE DE TRAVAIL GAIA-X FINANCES & ASSURANCES : LES ÉTAPES DE SA CRÉATION ET SON ACTIVITÉ AUJOURD'HUI

#### Patrick Laurens-Frings

GAIA-X Finance & Insurance Dataspace Coordinator - CIO, Caisse des Dépôts et des Conciliations



After starting his career in the Elis Group and spending several years in consulting, Patrick Laurens-Frings joined Carrefour as Business Systems Director and then moved to the financial sector by becoming CIO of the consumer finance division of Crédit Agricole Group. Since 5 years, he has been CIO of the Caisse des Dépôts et Consignations.

## LA CONSTITUTION DES GROUPES DE TRAVAIL DU HUB FRANCE

#### Daniel Ratier

*Team of the French GAIA-X Hub - Directorate for Enterprises, Ministry of the Economy and Finances* 



Civil administrator at Ministry of Economy and Finance in Paris. In charge of various digital public policy projects for the past twelve years.

## GAIA-X AND ITS SPACE DATASPACE: KEY ENABLERS FOR THE FUTURE EUROPEAN SPACE APPLICATIONS

#### Pascal Rogiest

Chief European Institutions Officer and Managing Director of RHEA System Luxembourg S.A.



Pascal Rogiest joins RHEA Group in December 2020 as Chief European Institutions Officer and Managing Director of the newly created RHEA System Luxembourg S.A. Pascal brings experience in both space and cybersecurity in order to further develop the commercial and institutional footprint of RHEA. In this new role he will also foster additional service offerings along the space and cybersecurity value chain and in related fields of strategic focus, leveraging the many competences present within the Group. Pascal spent most of his career at the satellite firm SES, where he

held technical, commercial, business and corporate development positions until he became Vice President, Head of Mergers and

Acquisitions. He was behind the creation and subsequent development of two subsidiaries at SES, namely SES TechCom and Redu Space Services, and has been involved in various international projects.

He joined LuxTrust, the Luxembourg-based digital trust services provider, in 2015, becoming CEO in March 2016 in order to foster the international, commercial and institutional development of the company, and transform it into a customer-centric organization based on end-to-end digital trust and identity solutions. In 2018, he won the IT Security CEO Award for the Benelux region (CEO Monthly Magazine).

Pascal has a background in electro-mechanical engineering and a PhD in aerospace.

#### Elodie Viau

*Director of Telecommunications and Integrated Applications, European Space Agency* (ESA)



Elodie Viau joined ESA as Director of Telecommunications and Integrated Applications from 1 September 2020. For 12 years prior to this, Ms Viau worked for SES. As Vice-President for Technology Program Management, she led new space segment development as well as end-to-end system design and implementation of new integrated services. Previously, she was the SES Program Manager of nine satellites built by Airbus. She gained two MSc: respectively from Télécom Sud Paris and from the International Space University complemented by an MBA from the Open University.

## GAIA-X LUXEMBOURG REGIONAL HUB: AMBITION, ORGANISATION, PRIORITIES

Sasha Baillie *CEO, Luxinnovation* 



Since May 2018, Sasha Baillie is the CEO of Luxinnovation, the Luxembourg national innovation agency. She is also a member of the Coordination Committee of the Ministry of the Economy, which she joined in 2014 as Deputy Chief of Staff and Diplomatic Advisor of the Deputy Prime Minister, following her 20-year career as a Luxembourg diplomat.

Within the Ministry of the Economy, Sasha Baillie ran the initiative to reform Luxembourg's economic promotion that led to the creation in June 2016 of the Luxembourg Trade and Investment Board. She also chaired the Luxembourg Nation Branding Committee until 2019

and steered the work that led to the creation in 2015 of LuxGovSat (a joint venture between the Luxembourg Government and SES) where she served as Chair of the Board.

## SPECIAL Q&A SESSION WITH EXPERTS

Fabrice Aresu Chief Customer Officer, LuxTrust



Fabrice Aresu is Chief Customer Officer and member of the Executive Committee of LuxTrust S.A.

He joined LuxTrust in 2017 in order to accelerate the international development and to develop the customer-centric strategy of the company.

Prior to joining LuxTrust, Fabrice held various positions at players like Thomson Reuters, Oracle and Luxoft (now DXC Technology), helping customers in leveraging engineering and innovation in the areas of Compliance, Risk Management and Fraud Prevention.

He holds a Master's Degree MIAGE from the University of Nancy (France).

#### Charlotte Boutelier *Managing Director, Farvest Group*



Charlotte Boutelier studied at Paris Sorbonne (IV) and has a master in Corporate Management & Strategy. She is Managing Director at Farvest Group, the one-stop-agency for companies and institutions aiming to promote Luxembourg as a gateway to Europe and a perfect place to establish a company. The agency fosters innovation and rewards national best practices cross-sectors.

Working at Farvest since 2013 including 5 years as Head of Marketing, she contributed to organise some of the largest summits in the country: FIABCI World Congress, Manufuture, Startup World Cup, Asteroid Day, ICT Spring notably. Passionate and creative, she leads Farvest's main events programme, strategy and

communication as well as international relationships.

### **CLOSING REMARKS**

René Winkin *General Manager, FEDIL* 



René is Managing Director of FEDIL. He arrived at FEDIL in 1991 and was initially an economic attachee and consultant. In 2006 he was appointed secretary general.

Within FEDIL, René was responsible for the Department of Industrial Policy. He represented the interests of the Luxembourg industry in several national and European consultative and decision-making committees and has actively contributed to the work of BusinessEurope within the Committee on Industrial Affairs. He was also general secretary of the Groupement Pétrolier Luxembourgeois, where his experience in the fields of energy and environment came to bear. In addition to his professional

commitments, he was vice president of the Conseil supérieur pour un développement from 2004 to 2010 and served as a lecturer in economics at the National Institute of Public Administration (INAP).

He holds a master's degree in economics – management and international business relations of the Louis Pasteur University of Strasbourg.

#### **MASTER OF CEREMONY**

Céline Tarraube *Adviser Digital & Innovation, FEDIL* 



Céline joined FEDIL as an adviser in 2015 to work on Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) related topics.

She graduated in Biochemistry (Paris) and in Marketing (Bordeaux). Before joining FEDIL, Céline was in charge of Marketing and Communication of the IT One platform at Farvest and organised among others the annual "ICTSpring Europe" and "IT One Gala". Before that, she was the owner of a retail shop in parapharmaceutical cosmetics in the city centre of Luxembourg. She began her career in Luxembourg in 2006 within Luxinnovation and launched the BioHealth Cluster for Health Sciences and Technologies.