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Hubert Gambs is the Director for the Mediterranean and Black Sea in the Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs and Fisheries of the European Commission since November 2014. The Directorate implements the EU's Common Fisheries Policy in these two sea basins, including sustainable exploitation of fisheries resources and the cooperation with regional fisheries management organisations. It manages fisheries data in the EU and in the relations with third countries and develops further an integrated maritime policy for the Mediterranean and the Black Sea. By means of the European Maritime and Fisheries Fund, the Directorate supports the fisheries and maritime sectors in the following EU Member States: Greece, Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, Malta, Cyprus, Slovenia and Croatia.

Hubert Gambs is Austrian and joined the European institutions in 1996. He first worked on the EU budget in the General Secretariat of the Council of the European Union. In 1998 he joined the Directorate-General for Competition of the European Commission. He joined the cabinet of the EU Commissioner for agriculture, rural development and fisheries, Mr Franz Fischler, in 2004 and worked for Mrs Benita Ferrero-Waldner, the Commissioner for External Relations and European Neighbourhood Policy, between 2004 and 2010. From 2010 to October 2014, he was the Head of Cabinet of Mr Johannes Hahn, the then Commissioner for Regional Policy. Before joining the European institutions, he worked for the Austrian Ministry for Economic Affairs in Vienna.

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