

## The Secretaries-General of the Council (1952-2015)

**Caption:** List of the Secretaries-General of the Council since 1952 indicating the historical development of their functions (Secretary-General of the Special Council of Ministers of the ECSC, of the Councils of the European Communities, of the Council of the European Communities and of the Council of the European Union/High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy).

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Name	Date	Country	Function
Christian Calmes	9 September 1952 - 14 June 1973	Luxembourg	Secretary of the Special Council of Ministers of the ECSC/ (from 1954) Secretary-General of the Special Council of Ministers of the ECSC/ (from 1958) Secretary-General of the Councils of the European Communities/ (from 1967) Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities
André Zipy	15-30 June 1973		Director-General of the Council of the European Communities' General Secretariat/ Interim Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities
Nicolas Hommel	1 July 1973 - 7 October 1980	Luxembourg	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities
Niels Ersbøll	8 October 1980 - 31 August 1994	Denmark	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Communities/ (from 1993) Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
Jürgen Trumpf	1 September 1994 - 17 October 1999	Germany	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union and (from 1999) High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy
Javier Solana	18 October 1999 - 17 October 2009	Spain	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union and High Representative for the Common Foreign and Security Policy
Pierre de Boissieu	1 December 2009 - 25 June 2011	France	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union*
Uwe Corsepius	26 June 2011 - 30 June 2015	Germany	Secretary-General of the Council of the European Union
* Since the Treaty of Lisbon came into force, the Secretary-General has no longer held the post of High Representative. From 1 December 2009 to 31 October 2014, Catherine Ashton holds the posts of High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission.			