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Knowledge Group: Strategy and Operations

Research Domains: Sustainability

Teaching Domains: Geopolitics, International Economy

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Biography

Sylvie Goulard is Professor of Practice in Global affairs (sustainability, green finance and geopolitics) at SDA Bocconi School of Management since October 2023.

She served as a Member of the European Parliament from 2009 to 2017, as Ministry of the Armed Forces of the French Government and as Vice Governor of the Banque de France from 2018 to 2022.

At the European Parliament, she was a member of the Economic and Monetary Affairs Committee (where she was rapporteur for several texts revising the Stability and Growth Pact or creating new supervisory authorities, solvency and resolution rules for the financial sector after the Great Financial crisis). She was also chair of the inter-parliamentary group for the fight against poverty.

At the Banque de France, she followed in particular international and European affairs (ECB governing councils, G7/G20 (finance track), IMF, FSB, OECD work). Chair of the risk committee, she was also supervising the Bank's research Department and very much involved in sustainable finance (chair of the Bank's strategic committee on sustainable finance, co-chair of the global NGFS Task force on nature-related issues).

Having graduated from Sciences Po and the Ecole Nationale d'Administration (ENA), she studied law. During her time at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, she particularly dealt with issues related to European integration and Germany. She is Chair of the Deutsch-Französisches Institute in Germany.

From 2001 to 2004, she was the political advisor to Romano Prodi, who was the President of the European Commission at that time.

Her book "L'Europe pour les Nuls" (First, 2007) won the European Book Prize. She has written other books, including "La Democrazia in Europa" (Flammarion, Rizzoli 2012), co-authored with Mario Monti, and "L'Europe enfla si bien qu'elle creva" (Tallandier, 2024) on the future EU enlargement.

Research Monographs

Grande da morire. Come evitare l'esplosione dell'Europa

GOULARD, S. - "Grande da morire. Come evitare l'esplosione dell'Europa" - 2025, Il Mulino, Bologna, Italy

Goodbye Europe

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Europe: amour ou chambre à part?

GOULARD, S. - "Europe: amour ou chambre à part?" - 2013, Éditions Flammarion, France

De la démocratie en Europe

GOULARD, S., M. MONTI - "De la démocratie en Europe" - 2012, Éditions Flammarion, France

Le Coq et la Perle. Cinquante ans d'Europe

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L'Europe pour les Nuls

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Le Grand Turc et la République de Venise

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Other

With a sea view - Con vista mare

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Nuclear power and jellyfish - Energia nucleare e meduse

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Una roadmap UE verso i nature credits: tra nuove opportunità e gestione dei rischi

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Oltre le illusioni, dentro i limiti: imprese all'esame sostenibilità

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Ricerca, condivisione e impatto per vincere la sfida della sostenibilità

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Crediti di biodiversità: un nuovo mercato per proteggere il pianeta

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