

# Event Speaker Biography



## Jurand Drop

He is an economist and university lecturer. He graduated from the Academy of Economics (currently the University of Economics) in Cracow.

From 1999 to 2005, he worked as an assistant in the EU Macroeconomics Department at the Academy, where he taught macroeconomics, mathematical economics and European monetary union.

From 2005 to 2008, he was in charge of the i2010 digitization development program, the Lisbon Strategy economic reform program, and economic analysis at the European Commission's Directorate General for Information Society and Media.

From 2009 to 2011, he was head of the Department for Strategy and Coordination of National Programs at the Information Society Department of the Ministry of the Internal Affairs and Administration.

In 2011, he took up the position of Economic Analysis Counselor in the Ambassador's Team at the Permanent Representation of the Republic of Poland to the European Union in Brussels, where he represented Poland, among others, in the Task Force on Greece, dealing with the resolution of the country's fiscal crisis. Subsequently, from 2012 to 2015, he served as Information Society Counselor, working as Poland's representative in the Council's working groups working out legislation in the fields of digitization, telecommunications, postal services, and cybersecurity, and periodically also in the protection of personal data or radio-telecommunications equipment.

In 2015, he became Undersecretary of State at the Ministry of Administration and Digitization, responsible for digitization policy, telecommunications, cybersecurity and e-government.

From 2020 on, he was a country coordinator for Finland, Lithuania and Poland at the European Commission's Directorate General for Networks, Content and Technology. Among other things, he was responsible for supporting the three countries in telecommunications, cyber-security, and green ICT policies and their implementation in companies. He participated in the process of creating economic reforms, including the negotiation of the National Reconstruction Programs and the implementation of the goals and milestones envisaged by them, as well as the European Semester procedure.