

New Trade Commissioners Overseas

For the third article in this series, CanadExport highlights the first part of trade commissioners recently posted to Europe.

BEHBOODI, Rambod
First Secretary (Commercial Standards and Regulation), Mission of Canada to the European Union,



Brussels, Belgium. This is the first field posting for Mr. Behboodi, who served as an advisor to the Trade Law Division before becoming a trade commissioner.

BHANEJA, Balwant (Bill)
Scientific and Technology Advisor, Bonn, Germany.



Mr. Bhaneja began his career as an engineer before becoming a policy analyst and advisor for the Ministry of Science and Technology. He was also Deputy Director of Science and Technology and East Asia Trade. He has been a trade commissioner in London, and this is his second posting in Bonn.

BROADBENT, John
Commercial Counsellor in Advanced Technology, Paris, France.



Mr. Broadbent's career as a trade commissioner has taken him virtually around the world, including Bangkok, Rio de Janeiro, Teheran and Algiers. Closer to home, he has held positions such as Deputy Director, Central America and Caribbean Trade, and Africa and Middle East Business Development.

CHARLAND, Claude
Commercial Counsellor, Bucharest, Romania.



Mr. Charland has several field postings to his credit, including Kinshasa, Rome, Paris, Helsinki and Dallas. He has also held several positions in Ottawa, including in the Western Europe Division (Investment and Technology).

CHRISTIE, Bruce
First Secretary (Commercial), Stockholm, Sweden.



This is the first field posting for Mr. Christie, who joined the Department in 1990. In Ottawa, he worked for the European Union, Japan, and Environment Divisions.

DESBIENS, Paul
Counsellor (Economic and Commercial), Brussels, Belgium.



Mr. Desbiens has served as trade commissioner in cities as varied as Melbourne, Algiers, Boston and Buffalo. He has held many management positions in Ottawa, especially in the Trade Communications Division and the United States Business Development Division.

DOYON, Simon
Counsellor (Commercial), The Hague, Netherlands.

Mr. Doyon has practised his profession in such cities as Brussels, Teheran, Caracas and Boston. He has also held various positions in the private sector, including Director for Europe at Bombardier-Canadair, and in the public sector as Deputy Director, Western Europe Division (Investment and Technology).

GIACOMIN, Barbara
Counsellor (Commercial), Warsaw, Poland.



This is Ms. Giacomini's second field posting. She has held numerous positions in the public service, including Deputy Director, Personnel and Policy, Trade Commissioner Service, and Program Manager for the Canadian Government Trade Office in Princeton, New Jersey.

GUINDI, Amir
Counsellor (Commercial), Ankara, Turkey.



Having worked as an engineer in the private sector for nine years, Mr. Guindi joined the Department and served as a trade commissioner in such cities as Islamabad, Bogotá and Algiers. Before his posting to Ankara, he worked in the Communications Strategies and Planning Division as Deputy Director and Editor-in-chief of CanadExport.