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Previously she served as the head of Advanced Technologies team in the European Commission, the EU coordinator of the high-level group Strategic Policy Forum on Digital Entrepreneurship and negotiated EU tech positions in international dialogues, such as the G7 ICT and Industry Ministerial and at the G20 dialogue for Innovative Growth. She is the co-author of the World Economic Forum Global IT Report and member of the World Economic Forum Digital Leaders Group. She is also volunteering to advance the role of women in technology leadership.

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