



Antonio TAJANI

Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats)

Member



Italy - Forza Italia (Italy)

Date of birth : 04-08-1953 , Roma

Other activities

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- 4/3/2013 Grand Cross of the Order of Civil Merit (Spain)
- 24/9/13 Honorary Membership of the Club of Bulgarian Journalists against Corruption

Education (qualifications and diplomas)

- School-leaving certificate in classical subjects, Torquato Tasso secondary school (lycée)
- Degree in law from La Sapienza University, Rome

Professional career

- **1974-1975** : Officer in the Italian Air Force
- **1983-1987** : Special envoy to Lebanon, Soviet Union and Somalia
- **1987-1993** : Head of the Rome editorial office of the daily newspaper 'Il Giornale'

Political career

Offices held in a political party or national trade union

- **2014-...** : Member of the executive committee of Forza Italia

Offices held in an international political party organisation or an international trade union organisation

- **2002-...** : Vice-Chair of the European People's Party

Offices held in the EU institutions

- **1994-2008** : Member of the European Parliament
- **2008-2010** : Vice-President of the European Commission, with responsibility for transport
- **2010-2014** : Vice-President of the European Commission, with responsibility for industry and entrepreneurship
- **2014-...** : Vice-President of the European Parliament

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