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Lecture by Ambassador João Vale de Almeida Head of the European Union Delegation to the United States

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Ambassador João Vale de Almeida is the Head of the Delegation of the European Union to the United States. In this capacity, he represents European Commission President José Manuel Barroso and President of the European Council Herman Van Rompuy, under the authority of the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy Catherine Ashton. Prior to his current appointment in Washington, Mr. Vale de Almeida served as the Director General for External Relations at the European Commission, the European Union's executive body. As the most senior official, he helped formulate and execute the EU's foreign policy and played a key role in preparing for the new European External Action Service introduced by the Treaty of Lisbon.

Mr. Vale de Almeida joined the European Commission in 1982 at the European Commission Delegation in Lisbon, after spending seven years as a journalist. He holds a degree in history from the University of Lisbon and has studied journalism and management in the United States, France, Japan, and the United Kingdom.

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