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Paolo Licandro was appointed Deputy Secretary-General of the EPP Group in the European Parliament in 1999, soon after Hans-Gert Poettering became Group Chairman. He was Deputy Secretary-General (1997-1998) of the Union for Europe parliamentary Group.

As Deputy Secretary-General of the EPP Group, he headed the Central Secretariat Service, responsible for the organisation of the Group's political bodies, for the Group's constitutive sessions, for the preparation of the Group's Chairman for the Conference of Presidents meetings, and for the EPP Group Vice-Chairmen of the EP for the Bureau meetings.

Under the responsibility of the Group's Secretary General, he organised the work during the EPP Group's coordination of the EP political Groups' and constitutive sessions. He was responsible for the Group's relations with EPP national Parliamentary Groups and for the annual meetings with their Chairmen.

He is responsible for the international political relations in the Neighbourhood region (Eastern Europe, South Eastern Europe and Mediterranean) and assisting EPP Group Members at the Euromed and Euronest Parliamentary Assemblies. He assisted and the Group's Presidency in organising several meetings in the new EU countries and in the Mediterranean, as well as the two EPP Group Working Groups on Mediterranean Policy and Eastern Europe. As the responsible for political training for Eastern Europe, he managed the unit based in Budapest where hundreds of trainees took part in the Group's training programmes.

With the Unit on Intercultural Dialogue and Religious Affairs, he oversees several activities promoting the dialogue between the Group, churches and different religions through a Working Group, annual EPP Group meetings on churches, conferences and regional conferences.

Paolo Licandro has been a political group administrator since 1981. He worked as an Adviser in charge of the Committee on Energy and Research, and Advisor on nuclear issues. He collaborated with several EPP Commissioners and Italian Ministers. He was Head of the Group's IT Department between 1993 and 1997.

He studied nuclear engineering at the Polytechnic University of Milan, followed by two years of higher studies and research at the EU Joint Research Centre of Ispra. Prior to joining the European Parliament, he worked as researcher and engineer for the ENI Group and collaborated with several European nuclear research centres and industries. He has written for specialised magazines and newspapers.