

## Francesco Mazzaferro

Head of the European Systemic Risk Board Secretariat

Francesco Mazzaferro has been the Head of the Secretariat of the European Systemic Risk Board (ESRB) since January 2011. Prior to that, he was the Project Manager of the ESRB Preparatory Secretariat, which started work in March 2010.

He began his career in financial research in the Research Department of the Istituto Bancario San Paolo di Torino (today part of Intesa Sanpaolo) in Turin, Italy, in 1987. He joined the European Commission in Brussels, Belgium, in 1992, starting his international career in the Directorate General for Economic and Financial Affairs, where his work focused on the European Currency Unit and preparations for the introduction of the single currency. In 1995 Mazzaferro joined the European Monetary Institute – which later became the European Central Bank – in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, as the Officer of Policy Planning. In 1998 he became the Senior European Relations Officer in the European Relations Division. From 2000 he worked as Principal in the EU Neighbouring Regions Division, becoming the Head of Division in 2003.

Mazzaferro studied law at the University of Bologna and wrote his Master's thesis on "EU law and legal aspects of the euro".

Mazzaferro has been working in the field of European monetary policy for almost 20 years. Currently he is the Head of the ESRB Secretariat.