

Biography

Monica Monaco

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Monica has been Senior Manager for EU Relations and Regulatory Affairs in the Legal Department of Visa Europe for more than ten years, being responsible for the relations with the European Commission, the European Parliament and the European Council Working Group on Financial Services, as well as with various national regulators.

Before joining Visa Europe she has been working as a Consultant for both Andersen, Deloitte & Touche and the OECD in Paris, dealing with a variety of financial services matters. She also worked for the Council of Europe in Strasbourg, in the Committee on Parliamentary and Public Relations.

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