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Mauro Facchini is Italian and has an engineering background with a PhD in Mechanical Engineering. Before joining the European Commission he has worked in Italy, UK and Switzerland, mostly in the academic and research environment.

He joined the European Commission in 2002 where he was initially involved in the management of research projects funded by the EU.

Mauro Facchini was then involved in Space aspects and participated to the definition of the European Space Policy from its early days by concluding the Framework agreement with ESA and in drafting and including article 189 (EU Space Competence) in the Lisbon Treaty.

From 2006 to 2012 he worked to the development of the European Earth Observation programme (GMES) and in Space Research matters. He is at present the Head of the Unit for the operation of Copernicus services.