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With 6 years in the **national foreign service** and 4,5 years in the **DG RELEX/EEAS**, I would like to contribute to bridging the gap between the two, taking the best of both practices for the common benefit of us – members and witnesses of the birth of **the European Diplomacy**.

In this exciting, but difficult moment of bringing the EEAS into life, I would like to act on behalf of us all. But as AD5, I'd pay special attention to all those who are new, who start or for whatever reasons are missing the human factor in this new service. In the end, it's not only **WHEN** we fulfill our tasks, but **also HOW we spend a working day**. A good work cannot be done without dedication, and dedication comes only from good feelings, from respect and devotion to work, and especially to our colleagues and friends, it comes with every **smile** we share in the corridor.

I speak Polish, English and German, struggle with French☺, learn Russian, but in the end... – don't we all speak **one language: European**... representing the institution and the idea behind us all: the EU..., now reinforced with its foreign service. Together, let's make it happen.

As a fan of *Star Wars* I can only say: **May the Force be with Us!**

Best, **Jakub**