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Laurent Donceel joined A4E as Policy Director in April 2016, where he is in charge of environmental policy, consumer dossiers and chair A4E's Air Traffic Control strikes campaign. Prior to A4E, Laurent advised a number of international companies and overseas governments in devising and implementing global communications campaigns. As Director at political communication consultancy gplus europe, he has considerable expertise in corporate public affairs and advocacy work, particularly in the areas of aviation, energy and trade policy.

Over the last years, Laurent has notably advised Jet2.com in its EU lobbying strategy, helping the British company on EU aviation policy and other relevant transport-related developments as well consumer affairs, building up a broad base of supporters at EU level, particularly in the European Parliament's TRAN committee.

Passionate about EU politics, Laurent also has significant experience in media relations and crisis communications, having run several pan-European political advocacy campaigns. He was formerly in the Directorate-General for External Trade in the European Commission and also previously worked the Belgian Foreign Affairs ministry.

Laurent holds a masters' degree in International Political Economy from the London School of Economics (LSE), a masters' degree in European Studies from the Université catholique de Louvain (UCL) and a bachelor in Political Science. A Belgian national having lived in the Middle East, Spain, UK and Australia, he speaks English, French and Spanish.