

Beat von Scarpatetti (Historian)

Dr. Beat von Scarpatetti is a historian, university lecturer and 2007 candidate for Member of Parliament (Canton-Basel-Landschaft). He is also a co-founder of the Transatlantic21 Association and is overseeing cultural aspects of the project from Basel to New York. For the past twenty years, von Scarpatetti has been teaching and overseeing research programs at the Universities of Mulhouse (France), Berne and Basel. He is a specialist for medieval manuscripts (Paleography) at Basel and St. Gall and the author of a series of manuscripts-catalogues, manuals and historical studies.

Throughout his career, von Scarpatetti has been an active leader in an array of ecological initiatives. In addition to the Transatlantic21 project, von Scarpatetti co-founded «Quellen-Projekt Binningen» a re-evaluation of water-sources in Basel done in collaboration with the Basel Life Science Office. He is also the founder and president of «Carfree Club Switzerland» and a member of the steering committee of Oekostadt Basel, an association for the promotion of ecological town development.