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Born in Liège on August 6th, 1958

Married - 4 children

Government positions: Member of the government from 12 July 1999 till 30 November 2019

- Minister of Finance (1999 - 2011)
- Chairman of the Eurogroup (January - December 2001)
- President of the Ecofin (July - December 2001 / July 2010 - December 2010)
- Member of the G7 in 2001
- Chairman of the G10, which is the meeting of the main creditor States, in 2002
- Minister in charge of the Belgian Buildings Agency (2003 - 2011)
- Deputy Prime Minister (18 July 2004 – 30 November 2019)
- Minister of Institutional Reforms (2004 - 2011)
- Minister in charge of the National Lottery, the Federal Holding and Investment Company (FHIC) and the insurance companies (2007 - 2011)
- Minister of Foreign Affairs, Foreign Trade and European Affairs (2011 - 2014)
- Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Affairs, in charge of Beliris and Federal Cultural Institutions (October 2014 – November 2019), and of Defence (December 2018 – November 2019).

Academical functions

- Student-assistant of Professor François Perin – Faculty of Law of the University of Liège (1979 - 1982)
- Lecturer / Visiting Professor at the Hautes Etudes commerciales of Liège (1989 - 2004)
- Visiting Professor – HEC Management School of the University of Liège (2005 - 2017)
- Visiting Lecturer at the Louvain School of Management – Université catholique de Louvain (2007 - 2019)
- Lecturer at the Université libre de Bruxelles (2017 - 2019)

Political activities

- Chief of staff of the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Justice and Institutional Reforms, Jean Gol (1987 - 1988)
- Member of the Liège Town Council (1988 - 2012)
- Leader of the MR Group of the Liège Town Council (1995 - 2012)
- Deputy Chairman of the MR (1992 - 2004)
- Member of Parliament since 1992
- Chairman of the PRL-FDF Group (1995 - 1999)
- Chairman of the Provincial and District MR Federation of Liège (1995 - 2004)
- Member of the Bureau and Deputy Chairman of the Liberal International (2005 - 2011)
- Chairman of the Mouvement Réformateur (2004 - 2011)
- Member and Leader of the MR Group of the Uccle Town Council (from 3 December 2012 to the end of 2018)
- Chairman of the Brussels MR Federation (2013 - 2019)

Professional activities

- Lawyer (1981 - 1985)
- Director General of the Local Authorities Department of the Ministry of the Walloon Region (1985 - 1988)
- Chairman of the National Railway Company of Belgium (1986 - 1991)
- Chairman of the National Society of Airways (1991 - 1993)