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Born in Liège on August 6th, 1958 Married - 4 children

Government positions

- 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 since 18 July 2004
- 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 since 6 December 2011

Academical functions

- Lecturer at the Hautes Ecoles commerciales of Liège
- Staff member of the Public Law Department at the University of Liège
- Guest lecturer at the Université catholique de Louvain (Louvain business school (UCL))

Political activities

- Chief of staff of the Deputy Prime Minister, Minister of Justice and Institutional Reforms, Mr Jean Gol (1987 - 1988)
- Member of the Liège Town Council since October 1988
- Leader of the MR Group of the Liège Town Council since 1995
- 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 (1995-2004)
- Member of the Bureau and Deputy Chairman of the Liberal International (2005 - 2011)
- Chairman of the Mouvement Réformateur (2004 - 2011)

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)