

Curriculum vitae



Nationality: Slovak
Birth date and place: 24 July 1966, Bratislava
Marital status: Married, three children

Education/Studies/Courses:

1984 - 1985 University of Economics, Bratislava, Slovakia
1985 - 1990 Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russia
1990 Comenius University, Faculty of Law, Bratislava (Doctor of Law – JUDr.)
1990 Université d'Été de Perpignan, France
1991 Stanford University, Hoover Institution, Stanford, USA
1992 L'Alliance française, Harare, Zimbabwe
1996 Salzburg Seminar, Salzburg, Austria
1996 - 2000 Comenius University, Faculty of Law, Bratislava (postgraduate studies in international/European law – PhD.)

2000 Ulpan Akiva, Netanya, Israel

2000 Dale Carnegie Associates, Tel Aviv, Israel

Professional career:

1990 Advisor to the first Deputy Foreign Minister, Czech and Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1991 - 1992 Third Secretary and Consul, Embassy of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Harare, Zimbabwe

1992 Deputy Chief of Mission and Second Secretary, Embassy of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, Ottawa, Canada

1995 EU and NATO countries department, Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1996 Deputy Director – EU and NATO countries department, Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs

1997 Deputy Director – Foreign Minister's Office

1998 Director – Foreign Minister's Office

1998 Deputy Head of Mission, Counsellor, Slovak Mission to the EU, Brussels, Belgium

1999 Ambassador, Slovak Embassy, Tel Aviv, Israel

2002 Director General, Bilateral Cooperation Section, Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2003 Director General, European Affairs Section, Slovak Ministry of Foreign Affairs

2004 Ambassador. Slovak Permanent Representative to the EU

01.10.2009 - 08.02.2010 Member of the European Commission responsible for Education, Training, Culture and Youth

09.02.2010 - Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration

16.10.2012-
28.11.2012 Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for Inter-Institutional Relations and Administration and Health and Consumer Policy (interim)

24.05.2014 Elected as a Member of the European Parliament with the highest voters' support among all Slovak candidates to the EP

Other:

Publications:

European Law – Selected Chapters.

Driving the EU forward – summary of 5 years' experience in the position of the EC Vice-President in charge of inter-institutional relations and administration (2010-2014)

Awards:

Chatam Sofer Medal for promotion of Slovak-Israeli relations

Language skills:

English, French, Russian, German

Special interests:

Sport (tennis, jogging, skiing), biographies