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Curriculum Vitae

EU Ambassador to the Council of Europe 1.9.2014-
Finland's Ambassador to Poland 10.9.2012-31.8.2014
Finland's Ambassador to Hungary 1.8.2007-10.9.2012

Counsellor in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs 1.4.-31.7.2007

Minister for Foreign Trade in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and at the Ministry of Trade
and Industry and Minister for European Affairs at the Prime Minister's Office
January 4, 2002 - April 17, 2003

Member of the EU Convention 2003

Member of the Parliament of Finland 1999-2007

Chairman for the Grand (EU) Committee 2004-2007
Member of the Grand (EU) Committee 1999-2001, 2003-2004
Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee 2003-2007
Member of the Administration, Security and Civil Defence Committee 1999-2001

Member of the Finnish delegation of the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly 2004 - 2007
Member of the Finnish Delegation of the Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly 2004 -2007
Member of the Finnish Delegation at the WEU Parliamentary Assembly 2003 -2004
Chairman of the Conservative Group at the Nordic Council 2001
Member of the Finnish Delegation at the Nordic Council 1999-2001

Chairman of the Supervisory Board of Finnfund, the Finnish Fund for Industrial Cooperation Ltd 2000-2002, 2004-
2007

Chairman of the Executive Board of the Central and Eastern Europe Regional Environment Centre 2016-
Member of the Executive Board of the Central and Eastern Europe Regional Environment Centre 2012-2015

Master of Education, M.Ed. 1990
Conservative (National Coalition Party KOK)
Born April 17, 1964 Kemi, Finland

Councillor at the Regional Council of Lapland 1995-1999
Special Adviser at the European Parliament 1995
Researcher at the Academy of Finland 1992-1994
Assistant at the University of Oulu 1991-1992
Scholar at the Trinity College, Part- time teacher, St Andrews College, Dublin 1990-1991

Member of the Rovaniemi Town Council 2005-2007
Member of Kemi Town Council 1993-96

Member of Paasikivi-association delegation 2006-
Chairman of the Educational Foundation of the National Coalition Party 2004-2007
Chairman of the National Coalition Party District of Lapland 2004-2007
Vice-Chairman of the Paasikivi Institute 1996-2001
Vice-Chairman of the National Coalition Party Council 1995-2000

Chairman of the European Movement in Finland 2002-2007
Chairman on Kemijärvi sculpture and culture association board 2006-2007
Chairman of Finnish Teacher Students Union (SOOL) 1988-89

Language proficiency: Finnish, Swedish, English, Italian, French, German

Interests: military history, genealogy, Italian opera

Decorations and titles:

Commander Cross of the Order of Merit of the Republic of Poland 2014
Miskolc University honorary member 2013
Doctor Honoris Causa of the University of Pécs 2012
Comander Cross of the Hungarian Order of Merit 2012
Iszazentgyörgy honorary citizen 2012
Geresdlak medal 2012
Kemi city shield 2009
The Order of the Cross of Terra Mariana of Estonia, 3rd class. 2006
Commander of the Order of the Lion of Finland 2003
Honorary professor of Dalian Maritime University 2003
Oulu University Students Union decorations, 2nd class. 1990