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Director of the Austrian Cultural Forum Budapest

1979 Born in Innsbruck

1997 "Matura" (A-Levels) at the Akademisches Gymnasium Innsbruck

1997-1998 Social service at the Caritas Innsbruck (care for the homeless)

1998-2003 Studies of Political Science, Law for Social Scientists and American Cultural History at the Ludwig-Maximilian-University Munich

2003-2004 Diplomatic Academy Vienna (Diploma Programme)

2004-2005 University Lecturer, Angel Kantchev University and Inter-University Europe Centre (BRIE) in Russia/Bulgaria with the Lecturer Programme of the Robert Bosch Foundation

2005-2007 University Assistant, Andrassy Gyula German Language University Budapest in a doctoral programme of the German Council on Foreign Relations (DGAP)

2008 Austrian Foreign Ministry

2009-2014 Counsellor (Politics, EU, Economy, Energy), Austrian Embassy Prague

2014-2017 Minister plenipotentiary and Deputy Ambassador, Austrian Embassy Warsaw

2017-2021 Head of the unit for cultural and scientific-technical agreements as well as for the Foreign Service (Commemoration, Peace and Social Service) in the directorate for international cultural affairs of the Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs.

Further responsibilities: restitution issues (handling of individual restitution cases on the basis of the Art Restitution Act, special individual cases with other states), special projects (priority years and topics with individual countries, publication support).

Member of the Steering Committee for the redesign of the Austrian exhibition in Auschwitz and member of the Advisory Board of the Fund for the Restoration of the Jewish Cemeteries in Austria.

Memberships: Austrian Society for Political Science (ÖGPW), German Society for Eastern European Studies (DGAP), Austrian Society for Foreign Policy and the United Nations (ÖGAVN), Institute for the Danube Region and Central Europe (IDM), Munich European Forum e.V.