

## TURKEY

**KÜRŞAD TÜZMEN**  
STATE MINISTER AND MP

### ***PERSONAL INFORMATION***

Born: 1958, Ankara, Turkey  
Languages: English, German  
Married, has two children



### ***WORK EXPERIENCE***

8/5/2003-	State Minister
14/3/2003-8/5/2003	Minister of Environment
18/11/2002-14/3/2003	State Minister
9/9/1999-21/6/2002	Undersecretary of Foreign Trade
17/8/1999-8/9/1999	Acting Undersecretary of Foreign Trade
28/8/1997-17/8/1999	Deputy Undersecretary of Foreign Trade
12/1994-28/8/1997	General Director of Free Zones/ Undersecretariat of Foreign Trade
10/1993-12/1994	Deputy General Director of Free Zones/ Undersecretariat of Treasury and Foreign Trade
11/1991-10/1993	Head of Department/ General Directorate of Free Zones/ Undersecretariat of Treasury and Foreign Trade
10/1984-11/1991	Expert / Department of Free Zones/ Undersecretariat of State Planning Organization
07/1981-10/1984	Manager in the private sector and completion of military obligation.

### ***OTHER DUTIES & POSITIONS***

Chairman of Board of Directors, Turk Eximbank

12/1999-	President of WEPZA (World Economic Processing Zones Association)
9/1999-21/6/2002	Chairman of Board of Directors, İGEME (Exports Promotion Center)
28/8/1997-9/1999	Secretary General, İGEME (Exports Promotion Center)
10/1995-12/1999	Member, Executive Board of WEPZA (World Export!Processing Zones Association)

### ***EDUCATION***

- 09/1989-05/1991 MBA, Illinois University, Department of International Business Administration
- 09/1976-06/1981 BS, Middle East Technical University, Faculty of Economics and Administrative Sciences, Department of Management
- 01/1987-05/1987 Certification Programme at Mersey Docks & Harbour Co, Liverpool
- Management of Free Zones
- Certification Programme at East Anglia University, England
- Economics of Development

### ***OTHER STUDIES***

- Completed studies on “foreign trade and free zones” in Ireland, Denmark, Egypt, Singapore and South Korea which are supported by OECD, UN and British Council scholarships.
- Publications in various magazines about economy and foreign trade.
- Proficiency thesis on “Examination of Free Zones With Respect to The Theory of Competitive Advantage”

### ***HOBBIES***

Former swimmer, presently professional scuba-diver.

### ***MEMBERSHIPS AND AWARDS***

- METU Alumni Society
- Ankara Scuba Club
- Selected as the “Bureaucrat of the Year 1999” by “The World” Newspaper
- Selected as the best Public Sector Manager of year 2000 by the Mediterranean Press Association
- Selected as the “Bureaucrat of the Year 2001” by “The World” Newspaper
- Selected as the “Bureaucrat of the Year 2001” by “Ekonomist” Magazine
- Champion of 1999, 2000 and 2001 Boğaziçi Swimming Competitions
- Selected as the “Minister of the Year 2003” by “Ekolife” Magazine