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Personal details

Nationality: Czech

Born April 22nd, 1951 in Prague, Czech Republic

Married, 2 sons

Education

1974 : Charles University of Prague,
Master Degree at the School of Liberal Arts and Sciences

1976 : Charles University of Prague,
PhD. in History and Prehistory

Career

Since 2004 : Member of the European Commission

2002 : Prime Minister of the Czech Republic

2001 : Chairman of the Czech Democratic Party (CSSD)

1998 : First Deputy Prime Minister
Minister of Labour and Social Affairs

1997 : Vice-Chairman of the CSSD

1996 : Member of the Czech Parliament Chamber of Deputies for the CSSD
Chairman of the Social Policy and Health Care Committee of the Chamber

1991 : Director of Regional Employment Authority in Jindřichův Hradec

1990 : Vice-Chairman of Regional Public Authority in Jindřichův Hradec

1976-1989 : In fact, a respectable person did not make a special career in my country at that time. So, following my studies I occupied different positions in different sectors very often just as a worker:

- saw-mill worker
- scene-shifter
- dairy industry worker
- archaeologist
- public administrator in nature protection and environment
- construction worker
- public administrator in culture heritage preservation

Hobby

- History and care for historical monuments in particular
- Outdoor sports, particularly cross-country and long distance running