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Institutions: *2003- 2005* Deputy Director-General, Directorate-General External Relations, responsible for European Neighbourhood Policy, relations with Eastern Europe, Southern Caucasus and Central Asia, Middle East and South Mediterranean.

2000- 2003 Director, Directorate-General Enlargement, Turkey, Cyprus, Bulgaria, Malta, Romania.

1998-2000 Director (1999), Negotiator for the Czech Republic, Task Force for the Accession Negotiations

1993-1998 Member of the Cabinet of Commissioner Hans van den Broek

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1985-1988 Directorate-General for External Relations. Horizontal unit North-South Relations

1982-1985 Directorate-General for Information. Press and Information, desk officer for U.K, Ireland and Denmark

1980-1982 Directorate-General for Fisheries, European Commission. International fisheries negotiations, bilateral and multilateral

1977-1980 Directorate-General for External Relations, Secretariat-General, Council of the European Communities

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