

Kristalina GEORGIEVA

Personal details

- Bulgarian
- Born August 13, 1953 in Sofia, Bulgaria
- Married
- One child

Current duties

- Since February 2010: European Commissioner for International Cooperation, Humanitarian Aid & Crisis Response.

Professional career

- 2008-2010 - Vice President and Corporate Secretary of the World Bank Group, directly reporting to the President. Interlocutor between World Bank Group senior management, its Board of Directors and the 186 countries shareholders of the World Bank Group.
- 2007-2008- Director, Strategy and Operations, Sustainable Development: in charge of overall directions and delivery of World Bank policy and lending operations in infrastructure, urban development, agriculture, environment and social development, including coordination of World Bank support to fragile and conflict- affected countries
- 2004-2007- Director and Resident Representative, Russian Federation, based in Moscow. Responsible for World Bank projects in more than forty regions of the Russian Federation.
- 2000-2004- Director, Environment Department. In charge of World Bank environmental strategy, policies and lending
- 1998-1999 – Sector Director, Environment and Social Development, East Asia and Pacific Region: responsible for social development operations, including extensive work on social safety nets, community development and women empowerment; global environment projects; and regional initiatives in the areas of social development and environment, The World Bank Group.
- 1997-1998 – Sector Manager, Environment, East Asia and Pacific Region: responsible for regional environmental programs; environmental projects (investments and technical assistance), The World Bank Group.
- 1993-1997- Environmental Economist/Senior Environmental Economist, Environment Division, Europe and Central Asia, The World Bank Group.
- 1992- Consultant, Environomics and Merser Management Consulting, Inc, Environmental policy services for Central and Eastern Europe.
- 1991- Visiting Professor, University of the South Pacific, Fiji; and Australian National University. Lectured on Economies in Transition.
- 1987-1988- Research Fellow, Department of Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science.
- 1977-1993- Assistant Professor/Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of National and World Economy, Sofia , Bulgaria

Other activities

- Since 2009 - Member of the Board of Trustees of the University of National and World Economy, Sofia , Bulgaria
- 2003-2009 – LEAD International, Member of the Board of Trustees
- 2003-2005- Institute for Sustainable Communities, Member of the Board of Trustees
- More than 100 publications, including a textbook on Microeconomics

Education

- 1986 - Ph.D. (Economic Sciences), University of National and World Economy, Sofia. Thesis: “Environmental Protection Policy and Economic Growth in the USA”
- 1976 – M.A. Political Economy and Sociology, University of National and World Economy, Sofia
- 1998 - World Bank Executive Development Program, Harvard Business School
- 1997- Corporate Finance certificate Program, Harvard Business School
- 1991-2- Visiting Scholar, Special Program in Urban Studies, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- 1990- International Environmental Negotiations, Salzburg Seminar, Austria

Languages

- Bulgarian: mother tongue
- English and Russian: fluent
- French: basic knowledge