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PERSONAL DETAILS:

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EDUCATION:

2000 - 2005 University of Tartu, Estonia, MA in Political Science

Specialized on Public Policy and International Relations

CAREER:

From May 2005 The Estonian Ministry of Culture

From 2011 Under-Secretary of State for Fine Arts

2007 - 2011 Head of Development Department

2006 - 2007 Development Adviser 2005 - 2006 Minister's Adviser

WORKING GROUPS:

From 2011 President of the European Union Expert Group on Cultural and

Creative Industries

From 2009 Member of the Northern Dimension Partnership for Culture

Steering Committee

From 2009 Member of Advisory Council, Tartu University's Viljandi Cultural

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From 2009 Chair of Estonian Committee on UNESCO Convention on the

Protection and Promotion of Diversity of Cultural Expressions

2008-2010 Estonian member of European Union Expert Group on Cultural

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From 2007 Estonian coordinator for Estonian, Latvian and Lithuanian

creative industries network

LANGUAGES: Estonian (mother tongue), English (fluent), Finnish, Russian and

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From 2009 Member of Board, Estonian Public Speaking Academy NGO

From 2002 World Debating Championships, judging in 2002, 2007 and 2010,

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From 1999 Member of European Youth Parliament
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