

Curriculum vitae



Ján Figel

Nationality: Slovak
Birth date and place: 20 January 1960, Vranov nad Topľou
Permanent residence: 094 35 Čaklov, district of Vranov
Marital status: Married, 4 children

Education

1978 - 1983 **Technical University in Košice**
Power electronics
1994 **Georgetown University, Washington D.C., USA**
One-semester course on international relations
1994 **UFSIA Antwerp, Belgium**
One-semester course on European economic integration

Professional Career:

1983 - 1992 **ZPA Prešov**
Research and Development scientist in power electronics
1992 - 1998 **Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic**
Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Council of the Slovak Republic (SR)
1993 - 1998 **Member of the National Council of the SR in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (CE PA)**
1995 - 1998 **Vice-Chairman of the CE PA's Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development**
1997 - 1998 **Chairman of the CE PA's Sub-Committee on International Economic Relations**
1998 - 2002 **State Secretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the SR**

- 1998 - 2003 **Chief Negotiator of the SR for negotiations on the accession of Slovakia to the EU**
- 2002 – 2004 **Member of the National Council of the Slovak Republic**
Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the National Council of the SR
Member of the European Integration Committee of the National Council of the SR
- 2002 - 2003 **Co-Chairman of the Standing Delegation of the National Council of the SR on the Joint EU-SR Parliamentary Committee**
- 2002 - 2003 **Representative of the Slovak National Council in the Convention on the Future of Europe**
- 2002 - 2004 **Representative of the Slovak Government in the Convention on the Future of Europe**
- 2003 - 2004 **Head of the Standing Delegation of Observers of the National Council of the SR in the European Parliament**
(EP's Committee for Constitutional Affairs)
- 2003 - 2004 **Member of the Council of Europe PA's Committee on Economic Affairs and Development** – Standing Delegation of the National Council of the SR in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe
- 2003 - 2004 **Presidency member of the EPP – ED fraction in the EP**
- 2004 – 2004 **Vice-Chairman of the Council of Europe PA's Committee on Economic Affairs and Development** – Standing Delegation of the National Council of the SR in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Political involvement:

- 1990 **Member of the Christian-Democratic Movement (KDH)**
- 1992 - 1994 **Presidency member of the Christian Democratic Movement (KDH)**
- 1994 - 1998 **Vice-president of KDH for foreign policy**
- 1998 **Vice-Chairman of the European People's Party (EPP) fraction in the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe**
- 1998 - 2000 **Presidency member of the Slovak Democratic Coalition (SDK)**
- 2000 - 2004 **Vice-Chairman of KDH for foreign policy**

2004 - current **Member of the European Commission**

Academic Career:

1995 - 2000 Trnava University - lecturer in international relations

Membership in International Non-Governmental Organisations:

- President of the Pan-European Union in Slovakia;
- Member of the International Committee for Support of Democracy in Cuba;
- Member of the Central European Forum

Membership in Non-Governmental Organisations in the SR:

- Member of the Board of the Slovak Foreign Policy Association;
- Member of the Council of the Central European Institute for Economic and Social Reforms (INEKO);
- Member of the Managing Board of the Foundation for the Support of Social Changes (SOCIA);
- Honorary Chairman of the Centre for European Policy;
- Honorary Chairman of the Kolping Society in Slovakia
- Presidency member of the Anton Tunega Foundation.

Publications:

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| 1999 | Ján Figel': European Foreign Affairs Review: Slovakia's Difficult but Promising Task |
| 2002 | Ján Figel'/Wolfgang Roth: Slovakia on the Road to EU Membership (co-editor) |
| 2003 | Ján Figel'/Miroslav Adamiš: Slovakia on the Road to the European Union – Chapters and Contexts |