

Personal resume

Name : Jean-Claude DELEN
Born in Liège (B) on August 5, 1945
Partner name : Helen
Based in Brussels

Languages spoken : - French (mother tongue)
- Dutch
- English

From 1974 till 1985, Regional Manager.
His role was to develop the agents network in the Middle East and Africa.
Through this position, he acquired a broad experience of the multicultural business world.

From 1985 till today, Managing Director Belgium and Luxembourg for DHL Global Forwarding.
In the meantime, the company has grown to over 450 employees located in seven different locations.
DHL is a subsidiary of the Deutsche Post World Net with over 450 000 people in the world.

He was also managing the company's European express product run in partnership with DHL Aviation.

Hobbies

Racing car, golf.

Others

As a Professional networker, I am also involved in many different professional national and international organisations.

a) National

BAFI (Belgian Air Freight Institute) representing 85% of the Air Freight Forwarders in Belgium.
Position : President.

CEB (Confederation of the Belgium Forwarders) regrouping all regional forwarders associations.
Position : President.

BITO (Belgian Institute of Transport Organisations) mixed organisation Ministry of Mobility and Transport/Forwarders.
Position : Vice President.

FST : (Social Funds for Transport) mixed organisation Professional organisations/Unions representatives.
Position : President.

FEBETRA (Federation of the Belgian Road Transport).
Position : Treasurer.

b) International

CLECAT (European Association for Forwarding, Transport, Logistic and Customs Services).
Position : Member of the Board.

FIATA (International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations).
Position : Senior Vice President in the Presidency and Chairman of the Region Europe.

Vision:

It is my will to continue the work of our past President and follow the same line of development for Clecat. To position Clecat as the true pan-European Forwarders and Logistics and custom agents' body.

To defend our interest and development in harmony with the European Commissions whenever possible, but also to be very vigilant in case some amendments or directives are going against our community interest.

Strategy : to align the Clecat and the FIATA positions, and make sure that items like Multimodal, Ocean and Air as well as Customs and Road be put very high on the agenda. Developments in Short Sea Shipping, inland waterways and rail transport must be monitored closely.

Certainly not to take on matters that are technical and already handled by IRRU for Rail and IRU for Road (both bodies with whom's management I personally have a very privileged relationship).

For over 20 Years I have been involved in Professional bodies in all sectors of Transport and Logistics defending the interest of the community, my openness to others' problems and difficulties has proven to be efficient in the way of solving problems, even sometimes involving Political contacts.