



Enver Hoxhaj

Minister of Foreign Affairs of Republic of Kosovo

Biography of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo, Mr. Enver Hoxhaj

On 22 February 2011, Mr. Enver Hoxhaj was appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kosovo.

During the negotiation process (2005 – 2007), led by the UN Special Envoy, President Martti Ahtisaari, Enver Hoxhaj participated in all meetings as a member of the Kosovar delegation. The Ahtisaari document resulted in a Comprehensive Settlement regarding Kosovo's independence.

As Head of the Commission for Education, Culture and Youth in the Kosovo Assembly, he acted as a strong voice for issues relating to education, youth and the modernization of Kosovo.

On 9 January 2008, Enver Hoxhaj was appointed Minister of Education, Science and Technology.

Enver Hoxhaj graduated in 1993 from the Faculty of History at the University of Prishtina. He continued his post-graduate studies at the University of Vienna Geisteswissenschaftliche Fakultät, studying courses in history and politics. After a long period of research between 1994 and 2000 at the Universities of Vienna, Berlin, Munich, Rome, Bologna, Florence and Paris, he successfully defended his doctoral dissertation.

During his stay in Austria, he was a scientific researcher at the University of Vienna and leader of a research team on the Balkans at the Ludwig Boltzmann Institut für Menschenrechte (1996-2000).

Between 2003 and 2004 he was a scientific researcher (fellow) at the London School of Economics – Center for Study of the Global Governance. He has published academic papers in English, German and Albanian about issues of ethnicity, nationalism, identity and ethnic conflict. In addition, he has given various lectures at many world universities including the University of Oxford, University College of London, Johns Hopkins University, and Columbia University.

In 2006, he was appointed Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science in the Philosophy Faculty at the University of Prishtina. He is fluent in written and spoken English, German and Serbo-Croatian. He lives in Prishtina with his wife Remzie, his son Liri and his daughter Lea.