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Nationality:

BULGARIAN

Academic qualifications:

- ◆ 1995, 1999 | 2000
- ◆ *Post-graduate Programmes in Law School*
- ◆ *Georgetown University, Washington DC, US*

- ◆ 1996
- ◆ *Environmental Liability*
- ◆ *The Hague, the Netherlands and Oxford Center, London, UK*

- ◆ 1981 | 1984
- ◆ *Ph.D. in Environmental Law*
- ◆ *Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Sofia, Bulgaria*

- ◆ 1975 | 1981
- ◆ *M.A. in Law*
- ◆ *Sofia University “St. Kliment Ohridski”, Sofia, Bulgaria*

Professional experience:

- ◆ 09.2018 | present day
- ◆ *Head of the EU Delegation to the Council of Europe in Strasbourg*

- ◆ 07.2017 | 09.2018
- ◆ *Nomination to the European Commission Committee of Independent Eminent Persons*

- ◆ 01.2016 | 07.2017
- ◆ *Minister for Education and Science*

- ◆ 11.2014 | 07.2017
- ◆ *Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria for European Policies Coordination and Institutional Affairs*

- ◆ 10.2014 | 11.2014
- ◆ *Elected Member of the Bulgarian National Parliament*

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	<p>Decorations, Prizes and Distinctions:</p> <p>2019 <i>L'ordre national du Mérite (Commandeur), France</i></p> <p>2009 <i>Maltese Ordine pro Merito Melitensi</i></p> <p>2008 <i>European of the year, awarded by "European voice", for promoting consumer rights in digital environment</i></p> <p>2008 <i>European Commissioner of the year, awarded by "European agenda"</i></p> <p>2005 <i>Gold distinction of the Atlantic Club of Bulgaria</i></p> <p>2005 <i>Order of the Star of Italian Solidarity</i></p> <p>2004 <i>Order of Prince Enrique, Portugal</i></p> <p>2003 <i>L'ordre national de la Légion d'Honneur, France</i></p> <p>2002 <i>Order of Civil Merit, Kingdom of Spain</i></p>
<p>Language Skills:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Bulgarian (Mother tongue)</i> ➤ <i>English - fluent</i> ➤ <i>Russian - fluent</i> ➤ <i>French - advanced</i>