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- Born in Athens with roots from Constantinople
- He holds an MA in Political Science from the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand and an MBA from Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand.
- Former Diplomat of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of New Zealand. He joined the New Zealand Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade in 1978 and represented New Zealand's political and economic interests abroad, namely in Indonesia, Thailand, Canada, Korea and the UN in New York, on a special mission.
- 2003-2004 was in charge of the New Zealand mission for the 2004 Olympic and Paralympic Games in Athens.
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Currently holds the positions:

- Secretary General of the Hellenic National Council for UNESCO
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