- University Studies in History at the Centre Universitaire in Luxembourg and at the Universities of Strasbourg (France) and Vienna (Austria) (1967-1973)

- Dr phil (Social and Economic History), University of Vienna 1973

- Professor in History at the University of Luxembourg until April 2013

- Vice-Rector, University of Luxembourg (2003-2007)

- Chairholder of the UNESCO Chair in Human Rights, University of Luxembourg (2011-2019)

- National Director, E.MA Master in Human Rights and Democratisation, Venice (1998-2018)

- Member of the Board of EIUC, European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation, Venice (2002-2014)

- Chair of ECRI (European Commission against Racism and Intolerance), Council of Europe, Strasbourg (2018-2019); member of ECRI in respect of Luxembourg (2011-)

- President of the Commission consultative des droits de l'homme du Grand-Duché de Luxembourg (2006-2013)

- President of Omega90, the Luxembourg Association for Palliative Care (1998-2009)

- President of the Commission "Justice and Peace" Luxembourg (2008-)

- Member of the Board of the European Network of "Justice and Peace" Commissions (2013-2019)

- Vice-President of CARE Luxembourg (2017-)

- Member of the National UNESCO Commission (2001-2019)

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- Member of the Commission nationale d'éthique (2020-)

- Prix Lions awarded in 2001 for activities in the field of human dignity