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Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to Australia

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- 29 November 2018 - **Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary**
of the Republic of Croatia to the Commonwealth of Australia (*Designate since 5 Oct 2018*)
- November 2016-
September 2018
September 2015-
February 2016 **Director, Minister Plenipotentiary – Directorate for North, Central and South America**
Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia
Zagreb, Croatia
- March-October 2016 **Foreign Policy Advisor to the Speaker of the Parliament**
Parliament (*Sabor*) of the Republic of Croatia
Zagreb, Croatia *Temporary secondment from the Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs*
- August 2011 –
September 2015 **Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Croatia to NATO**
Permanent Delegation of the Republic of Croatia to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization
NATO Headquarters, Brussels, Belgium
- June 2007- August 2011 **Head (Director) of the Department for North America**
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia (MFAEI)
Zagreb, Croatia
- December 2005 –
June 2007 **Advisor to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration**
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia (MFAEI)
Zagreb, Croatia
- February –
November 2005 **Chief of Staff – Parliamentary Executive Assistant**
Office of Borys Wrzesnewskij, Member of Parliament
House of Commons, Parliament of Canada, Ottawa, Canada
- December 1993 –
February 2005 **Chief of Staff – Parliamentary Executive Assistant**
Office of Janko Perić, Member of Parliament
House of Commons, Parliament of Canada, Ottawa, Canada
- August 1990 –
December 1993 **Legislative Assistant**
Office of Derek Lee, Member of Parliament
House of Commons, Parliament of Canada, Ottawa, Canada
- May 1989 –
August 1990 **Policy Coordinator and Fundraising Associate**
Liberal Party of Canada (Ontario), Toronto, Canada

EDUCATION

- 1985-1989 Baccalaureate in Social Sciences (Honours in Political Science)
University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Canada
- 1981-1985 Ontario Secondary School Honours Graduation Diploma
Burnhamthorpe Collegiate Institute, Toronto, Canada
- January 2009 Harvard Executive Education Certificate
21st Century Governance: Critical Skills for Leading and Sustaining Innovative Organizations
- April-June
2006 Diplomatic Academy – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration

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LANGUAGES

English and Croatian (Native Speaker); French (Advanced); German (Intermediate); Spanish (Beginner)