

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTICE OF AMBASSADOR GERARD L.P. PHILIPPS

PHILIPPS Gérard Léon Pierre

born in Luxembourg on 13 December, 1956

two children : Tom (26.10.1991), Laura (26.07.1994)

married to Mrs. Sheila Reindorf

- 1976-78 : "Centre Universitaire de Luxembourg" (Certificate in English lit. and History)
- 1978-81 : University of Kent at Canterbury (UKC), joint honours degree in English and American Literature and in History
- 1981-1985 : **Ministry of Education in Luxembourg**, lecturer, English language and literature as well as history, including in the field of adult further education
- 1986-88 : **Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Luxembourg**, draftsman
- 1988-89 : Legation attaché and, in parallel, lecturer in economic and social history at the "Institut de formation administrative de l'Etat" (IFA)
- 11.1989 : Legation secretary
- 1990-92 : **European Political Cooperation (EPC-EC/Brussels)**, second secretary
- 1992-93 : **Permanent Representation to NATO (Brussels)**, first secretary
- 03.1993 : **Luxembourg Delegation to CSCE/OSCE (Vienna)**,
first secretary and deputy Head of delegation
- 1994-08.1995 : Chargé d'affaires a.i. and Head of delegation
- 11.1995 : Deputy Legation Counsellor
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- 09.1995-07.1998 : Deputy Permanent Representative
- 08.1998-12.2002 : **Permanent Representation of Luxembourg to the Council of Europe**,
Ambassador, Permanent Representative and Consul General (Alsace&Belfort)
- 10.1998 : Legation Counsellor, first class
- 05.-11.2002 : Chairman of the Committee of the Ministers' Deputies, Council of Europe
- 2003-2004 : **Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Luxembourg**, Ambassador, Director for budget, finance, administration and financial control
- 2005-07.2007 : Ambassador, Director for international cultural relations
and also, from
- 2006-07.2007 : Co-ordinator "europaforum" - government communication policy on Europe
- 08.2007- 08.2012: **Ambassador to the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein**
- 09.2012-08.2017 **Ambassador to Denmark, Sweden, Finland and Norway**
- 01.10.2016: Minister Plenipotentiary
- from 09.2017 **Ambassador to Czech Republic and Estonia**
Ambassador (designated) to Ukraine

Languages : French, German, English and Luxembourgish, fluency, written and spoken, Danish, written and spoken, Spanish, Italian, passive knowledge

Leisure and interests :

tennis, cycling, guitars, piano, percussion, reading, travelling