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Graham Meadows

born 17 December 1941.

MA (Hons.) in Political Economy, University of Edinburgh (1973).

Experience

2015-continuing, Special adviser to Commissioner Phil Hogan, Member of the European Commission responsible for Agriculture and Rural Development.

2009-2014, Special adviser to Commissioner Laszlo Andor, Member of the European Commission responsible for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion.

2007-09, Special adviser to Commissioner Vladimir Spidla, Member of the European Commission responsible for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities.

2007-continuing, founder and sole employee of MC+TS-Europe sprl, providing consultancy services on socio-economic development to public administrations and businesses and project advice and management services. During this time, I have managed, and am still managing, among others dossiers, the following:

2014-continuing, providing specialist advice to Ukraine government on policies for decentralisation and regional development;

2013-17, providing specialist advice to China's Academy of Macroeconomic Research on aspects of clean and smart urbanisation; special adviser to Jinjiang, Fujian Province, China, on new urbanisation;

2007-13, providing specialist advice to China's State Council Leading Group of Poverty Alleviation and Development on policies for socio-economic development in China and the amelioration of poverty, including economic reconstruction after natural disasters;

2007-10, joint leader of an EU-China research study (17 researchers) comparing regional development policies in the EU and China;

2011-13, providing specialist advice (pro bono) to the Mayor of Athens, Mr Giogios Kaminis on the creation and implementation of a long-term programme for the urban renewal and socio-economic development of Athens.

1975-2006, European Civil Servant, European Commission, Brussels.
Service included a number of policy areas:

1989 to 2006, DG Regional Policy:

2003 to 2006, Director General responsible for the direction and management of EU Regional Policy;

2000-2003 Director responsible for the design and implementation of EU regional policy actions in Greece, Italy and France and the coordination of policy for the EU ultra-peripheral regions (in South America, the Caribbean, and the Atlantic and Indian Ocean);

1995-1999, Director responsible for the design and implementation of EU regional policy actions in United Kingdom, Germany and France;

1989-1994, Director responsible for economic reconstruction in former industrial and poor rural regions.

1985-1989, Head of the Cabinet of Mr Stanley Clinton Davis, Member of the Commission of the EC responsible for Environment, Nuclear Safety and Transport,

1981-85, Adviser in the Cabinet of President of the Commission Gaston E. Thorn on agricultural, fisheries and environment policy,

1975-80, DG Agriculture, Member of Agricultural Policy Unit dealing with agricultural prices, incomes, monetary affairs, special market problems, European Parliamentary affairs, price negotiations Council of Ministers.

1958-69 and 1973-75, Journalist, specialising in agricultural affairs and policy.

Awards

2007. Emperor Maximilian Prize from the City of Innsbruck for work in the field of regional politics.

2006. Honorary Doctorate from the University of Strathclyde, Glasgow.