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Born: 3 August 1943 in Vienna

1966: Doctorate in Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Vienna; studies in Luxembourg, at the Hague Academy of International Law (The Hague) and at the Moscow State University (international law; academic year 1967/68); from the end of 1969 university assistant at the Institute for International Law and International Relations of the University of Vienna, (1970/1971: Austrian Armed Forces).

1983: Venia legendi for the subject "Public International Law and International Economic Law"

1990: Associate Professor of International Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Vienna, from 1996 Professor, former Director of the Institute for European, International and Comparative Law of the University of Vienna,

since 2008: Retired Professor

Professor at the Vienna School of International Studies, M.A.I.S., courses at the Diplomatic Academy of Yerevan, University of Krems, visiting professorships at Comenius University Bratislava (since 1991) and Paneurópska Vysoká Škola, Fakulta Práva, Stanford University (California, 1996), lecture series at the University of Paris 2 (Assas), Paris 5, lectures at national and foreign universities.

Since 1971 regular secondments to the Office of the Legal Adviser ("Völkerrechtsbüro") of the Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs (now Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs); from 3 May 1993 to 28 February 1995 Head of Unit I.2 (General International Law); Member or Head of the Austrian delegations to numerous international conferences, 1998: Presidency of the EU at the Rome Conference on the International Criminal Court, since 2004: Consultant of the Federal Ministry for Foreign Affairs (now Federal Ministry for European and International Affairs); for International and European Law.

1997 - 2001: Member of the United Nations International Law Commission (ILC; 2001: First Vice-President)

1999 -2004: Chairman of the Working Group or Ad hoc Committee of the 6th Committee of the United Nations General Assembly on "Jurisdictional Immunities of States and their Property".

Member of the "Institut de Droit International", Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration; one of the five arbitrators in the MOX case (Ireland vs UK); Representative of Liechtenstein before the International Court of Justice; Arbitrator in the Abyei case, Counsel for Argentina in the *ARA Libertad* case (2012; ITLOS) Arbitrator in the Denmark on behalf of *Faroe Islands v EU* case, Arbitrator at the OSCE Conciliation and Arbitration Court, former Member of the Bureau;

Membership in several relevant academic associations: German Society of International Law (former Vice-Chair), American Society of International Law; International Law Association (Austrian Branch; since June 1992 - 2010 President of the Austrian Branch; Chair of the Committee on State Succession); Société française pour le droit international, Austrian Society for European Law.

Married since 1971, two children

Awards: Decoration of Honour in Gold for Services to the Republic of Austria, Grand Decoration of Honour in Silver for Services to the Republic of Austria, Federal Decoration of Honour, Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques (France)