

Mr. Gergely Pröhle

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Deputy State Secretary for EU Bilateral Relations and Cultural Diplomacy

Place and date of birth

Budapest, 1965.

Education

In 1983 he studied at the Friedrich Schiller University. He received his diploma in 1989 at the Faculty of Humanities of the Eötvös Lóránd University of Arts, majoring in Hungarian and German language and literature. In 1989-1990 he was a DAAD (Deutscher Akademischer Austausch Dienst) scholar at the Hamburg University. In 1995-1998 he was a PhD-student of the Budapest Institute of Graduate International and Diplomatic Studies; in 2006-2009 a PhD-student at the Andrásy Gyula German Language University of Budapest.

Employment

From 1988 he worked for numerous electronic and printed media (Hungarian Radio, Heti Válasz, Figyelő) as an editor-leader-writer. He taught at the Foreign Languages Department of the Eötvös Lóránd University of Arts. He was the director of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation from 1992 until 1998. During the term of the first Orbán-cabinet he was the Administrative State Secretary of the Ministry for National Cultural Heritage, and later – during the second half of the term – he was Hungary's Ambassador to Germany. He served as an Ambassador to Switzerland in 2003-2005. In 2005-2006, he was a Deputy Head of Department in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. He was a Senior Consultant with Roland Berger Strategy Consultants in 2006-2010.

Public activities

He has been the National Superintendent of the Lutheran Church in Hungary since 2006.

Other

Languages spoken: German, English and French.

Married, he has four children.