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Between 1997 and 2004 a member of the Polish parliamentary assembly, he was holding, among other, the following positions:

- Secretary of State at the Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development (2001-2003),
- Government Plenipotentiary for the preparation of Polish agriculture for EU integration.
- Member of the Committee for European Integration of the Polish Sejm (1997-2004), EU-Poland Joint Parliamentary Committee (1997-2001),
- Economic Affairs Committee vice-chairman (1997-2001),
- Observer of the Polish Sejm at the European Parliament (2003-2004).

Since 2004 at the European Parliament, he sits among the members of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats). Presently:

- Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development,
- Member of the Conference of Committee Chairs
- Substitute member at the Committee on Budgetary Control,
- Member of the Delegation for relations with Canada,
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He is a member of the Association of Engineers and Agricultural Technicians, the Polish Economic Society and the Scientific Society for Organization and Management.

Decorated with the Knight's Cross of the Order of Poland Reborn (1997).