

# KOSOVO

## **Minister for Culture, Youth, Sports And Non Residential Affairs**

Ministry of Culture

### **Skender HYSENI**

Born on 17 February 1955 in Dubratin, Podujeve  
married, four children

#### **Education:**

1979 English Language Studies, at the Faculty of Philology at the University of  
Prishtine/Pristina

#### **Political career:**

1989 Member of the LDK since its establishment

1992 Appointed as close aid and translator to President Ibrahim Rugova

1998 – 2004 Appointed Political Adviser to President Rugova

2004 Appointed Principal Political Adviser to President Rugova

2006 Appointed Principal Political Adviser to President Sejdiu  
Elected member of the LDK Presidency  
Appointed Spokesperson on the Unity Team

2007 Appointed as a member to the Constitutional Commission by President  
Sejdiu  
Elected member of the Assembly of Kosovo

2008 Appointed Minister of Culture, Youth, Sports and Non Residential Affairs

In 1991 he was invited to work as a journalist and translator with the newly established Kosovo Information Center (KIC). In 1993, he co-founded the KIC English Section and became an editor of the “Kosova Daily Report”, a news bulletin in English.

He has been closely involved in all Kosovo-related processes and major political events since 1991, both in and outside of Kosovo. His rise in the political scene of Kosovo is attributed mainly to his close relationship with Ibrahim Rugova. This was confirmed when the Negotiation Team of Kosovo was appointed by the Assembly of Kosovo. Though he was not formally appointed as a member, he effectively became an equal member of the Negotiation Team.