

# FINNLAND

## Minister of Education

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Born 24 September 1965, Tampere, Finland  
Married, three children

#### career data:

24 March 1999 – 18. April 2007

19 April 2007

Member of Parliament

Minister of Education

Radiology Nurse, Master of Science (Health  
Care)

National Coalition Party

Place of residence: Helsinki

1996 – 1999

Social Secretary, National Coalition Party  
parliamentary group

1988 – 1991

Temporary posts in health care

1994 - 1995

Student Union of the National Coalition Party  
(Tuhatkunta) (chairman)

1999 – 2004

National Coalition Party (Vice-Chairman)

2004

National Coalition Party, party council

(chairman)

1998

Spouse: Master of Science in Technology Kim  
Tapani Ruokonen

#### Special interests:

Outdoor activities and sailing