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# LETTLAND

### **Minister of Culture**

Ministry for Culture

## Helena DEMAKOVA

Born on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1959

#### Education

1992 - 1993	European Diploma in Cultural Project Management (organised by
	Foundation Marcel Hicter, with permanent partners – The Council of
	Europe, Council for Cultural Co-operation and UNESCO, Section for
	Cultural Policies and Studies on Cultural development)
1987	Graduated from the Foreign Language Department of the University of
	Latvia
1978 - 1981	Training courses in the Latvian Academy of Art

#### Work experience

09.03.2004	Minister of Culture of the Republic of Latvia
since 23.03 2004	Lecturer, History and Philosophy Department of the University of Latvia
1999	Prime Minister's Advisor on Humanitarian Issues
1998-04.09.2004	Executive Director of the "New Academy" Education Foundation
1998–2002	Deputy of the 7th Saeima of the Republic of Latvia
1996–1997	Prime Minister's Advisor on Culture
1995-1996	Artistic Director of the M5 Gallery (non-commercial)
1990-1992	Lecturer (History of Culture), Modern Language Department of the
	University of Latvia
1988-1990	Minister of Culture's Visual Arts Advisor, Ministry of Culture

#### Memberships

Founding member of the Peoples' Party Member of the Latvian Artists' Union (since 1989) Member of the Board, Political Education Foundation. Deputy Chairman of the Board, The Museum of Occupation Chairman of the Board, "Cultural Pilot Projects" (NGO)

#### Languages

Latvian – mother tongue Russian – fluently German - fluently English – fluently French - adequately