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## **Minister of Development**

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## **Kostas HATZIDAKIS**

Born in 1965, in Rethymno, Krete

Since Jan. 2009 Minister of Development

Sept. 2007 – Jan. 2009 Minister of Transport and Communications

1994 - 2007 Member of the European Parliament with the New Democracy Party.

In the European Parliament he has been Chairman of the Committee on Transport and Regional Policy for two and a half—years——and Parliamentary Representative of the European Peoples' Party on——the same—Committee. Before his election as a Member of the European Parliament, he has been General Secretary of DAP-NDFK and President of ONNED. He studied law at the University of Athens and continued his studies at the University of Kent, where he obtained a Master's Degree in Communication and Image Studies. He is a lawyer in Athens and speaks English and French.

