

# IRLAND

## Minister for Education and Skills

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## Ruairí QUINN

### Electoral Status

TD (Teachta Dála, Member of the Lower House of the Irish Parliament)  
for Dublin South East

### Political Career:

March 2011	Appointed Minister for Education and Skills
1997-2002	Leader of the Labour Party
1990-1997	Deputy Leader of the Labour Party
1994-1997	Minister for Finance
1993-1994	Minister for Enterprise and Employment
1986-1987	Minister for the Public Service
1984-1987	Minister for Labour
1982-1983	Minister of State, Department of the Environment
1977-1981 and 1982-present	Elected Dáil Éireann (Lower House of the Irish Parliament)
1976-77 and 1981-1982	Member Seanad Éireann (Upper House of the Irish Parliament)
1974-1977	Former Member Dublin City Council
1991-1993	Leader of Civic Alliance and Labour Group
1983-1987	Member EU Council of Ministers for Social Affairs
1984	Chairman Social Affairs Committee, Dáil Éireann Vice-President & Treasurer, Party of European Socialists