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Minister of Education

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Branko RUŽIĆ

He was born on 14 December 1975 in Belgrade, where he finished elementary school. He started his secondary education in Australia and completed it at the XII Grammar School in Belgrade. He graduated from the Faculty of Political Sciences of the University of Belgrade, at the Department of International Relations, where he held the position of a student dean from 1996 to 1999.

He was an MP in the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia and the State Union of Serbia-Montenegro in several terms, the president of the SPS-JS Parliamentary Group and a long-time member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Committee on Administrative, Budget and Mandate Immunity Issues and the Committee on European Integration. He was also a member of the permanent delegation of the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, where he was a member of the Political Committee and a member of the Human Rights Committee.

In the Government of Serbia, in 2013, he held the post of Minister without a portfolio in charge of European integration, in the period when the negotiating framework was adopted and when negotiations between the Republic of Serbia and the European Union were officially opened.

He is a member of the Socialist Party of Serbia from the earliest student days. In the party, he held the functions of the president of the youth, the vice-president of the Main Committee and the president of the Executive Committee of the party, as well as the spokesman. Today, he is deputy president of the General Board of the Socialist Party of Serbia.

He is a great admirer of sport and a passionate fan of the football club Partizan, where he served as vice president from 2009 to 2014.

He served as Minister of Public Administration and Local Self-Government from June 2017 to October 2020.

During his work at the National Assembly and the Serbian government, and thanks to many years of political experience, he showed great knowledge of the functioning of public administration, international relations, advocating for greater rights of workers and social justice, and he achieved the results on each of the duties due to his organisational and management skills.