

Józef Leśniak - II Vicevoivode of Malopolska Region

He was born on March 6, 1968 in Limanowa.

He graduated from Université Nancy 2 (major: contemporary literature) and the International School of Political Sciences - University of Silesia in Katowice (major: political science). He also completed MBA post-graduate studies "European Economy Management" at the Warsaw School of Economics.

He started his professional career working in the Department of Education, Youth and Sport of the Villers-les-Nancy mayor. He was also a Polish interpreter, eg. in the Departmental Council of the Meurthe-et-Moselle region, an intern at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and worked at the Agricultural Market Agency. In 1998-2015 he was associated with international companies, in which he held, among others functions of director of property control and management (Auchan Polska Sp.z o.o. - Immochan) and director of development and strategy (Dories Aria Sp.z o.o.).

In 2010-2015 he worked Nowosądecki Powiat Council.

He was also a deputy of the Sejm of the Republic of Poland of the 8th term (2015-2019). He was the vice-chairman of the Foreign Affairs Committee, a member of the Public Finance Committee and the Infrastructure Committee, and the vice-chairman of the Polish Section of the Francophone Parliamentary Assembly.

In parallel to parliamentary work in Poland, he was a member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe in Strasbourg. He represented the Polish state in the work of the Committee on Political Affairs and Democracy.

On December 5, 2019, he became the second vicevoivode of Malopolska Region.

He has a wife Jolanta and a son Piotr.

Interested in history, international relations, Latin American culture.