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at national or local level:

- lecturer in political science at the University of Leiden from 1981 to 1984
- Municipal councillor in Leiden from 1 January 1982 to 13 December 1984
- State Secretary for the Interior and Kingdom Relations from 2 August 1998 to 22 July 2002
- member of the House of Representatives of the States General from 23 May 2002

at European level:

- member of the European Parliament from 24 July 1984 to 2 August 1998
- leading candidate of the People's Party for Freedom and Democracy (VVD) at the 1989 European elections
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