

Henrik Hololei

Director-General for Mobility and Transport, European Commission



Henrik Hololei became Director-General for Mobility and Transport in the European Commission in October 2015.

Henrik is an economist by training and holds degrees from Tallinn Technical University and Aarhus University in Denmark.

He held various positions in the Estonian government office between 1995 and 2004. He was mainly responsible for coordinating the work for the Estonian accession to the European Union, working directly with the government and prime minister.

In 2001-2002 he was Minister of Economy.

In 2002-2003 he represented the Estonian government in the Convention on the Future of Europe.

In 2004 he moved to the European Commission as Head of Cabinet of Vice President Siim Kallas. Mr Kallas' first mandate in 2004-2010 dealt with administration, audit and anti-fraud while during his second mandate he was responsible for transport.

From November 2013 he was Deputy Secretary General of the European Commission.

Throughout the years, Henrik was awarded the Grand Cross of the Lion from the president of Finland, the 3rd Class Order of the White Star from the president of Estonia and the Chevalier de l'Ordre du Mérite from the president of France. In May 2014, the Estonian European Movement named him "European of the Year".