

Curriculum Vitae – Thierry Libaert

Spokesperson of the EESC's Consumers and Environment Category
Member of the EESC's Diversity Europe Group
Representative of the Nicolas Hulot Foundation for Nature and Mankind NGO
Research associate at the Catholic University of Leuven



Qualifications

- Doctorate in Information Sciences and Communication (University of Louvain)
- French Masters (DESS) in Political and Social Communication (Paris 1)
- Diploma of Political Studies (Science-Po Paris)
- Masters degree in Public Law (Sorbonne, Paris)

European activities

- At the EESC:
 - EESC member since 2010 (*Find further information on the [EESC's website](#).*)
 - Member of the INT and NAT sections
 - Member of the Working Group on the European Citizens' Initiative
 - Member and French delegation Contact Point for the Communication Commission.
- Outside the EESC:
 - member of the steering committee of the economic interest group *Toute l'Europe* (the largest French-language website for information on Europe)
 - Former member of the steering committee for the Citizens' Consultations on Europe.

Communication activities

- Lecturer at the University of Louvain 2008 - 2014, and Chair of the Laboratory for the Analysis of Organisational Communication Systems (LASCO - University of Louvain-la-Neuve, 2008-2013).
- Lecturer at the Paris Institute of Political Studies, after teaching at the University of Saint-Denis on the island of La Réunion (1999-2009).
- Lecturer in Information Sciences and Communication at the Paris-IV University (CELSA) at Masters and PHD level (1992-2008). Co-ordinated introduction of MBA courses in Communication (2006-2008).
- Established courses on Enterprise Communication, Troyes University of Technology (1998-2003).
- Vice-President of the Joint Advertising Council (*Conseil paritaire de la publicité*) (2008-2011).
- Currently a member of the French Council of Ethics in Advertising (*Conseil français de l'éthique publicitaire*) (from 2014).
- Current Chair of the Academy of Controversy and Sensitive Communication (*Académie des controverses et de la communication sensible*), and past Chair of the scientific committee of the *Communication & Enterprise* association.
- Author of around 30 published books and many articles.

Publishing activities

Member of the editorial committees of the *Communication & Languages* review (2005-2009), the *Recherches en Communication* review (2009-2014), *Communication & organisation*, the *Public Relations Inquiry*, the French Society for Information Sciences and Communication review, and the *Hermès* review of the French National Centre for Scientific Research.

Environmental activities

- Member of the Scientific Council of the Nicolas Hulot Foundation since 2000, and of the think tank for *Pour une république écologique* (Towards an Ecological Republic) since 2016.
- Member of the Committee for Environmental Vigilance at the French Environment Ministry (2003), working with the office of the Minister for Sustainable Development (2004).
- Instructed by the French Environment Ministry to develop the campaign against planned obsolescence (2008), and to explore bringing the world of advertising into line with environmental issues (2019).
- Head of the mission for Sustainable Development at EDF group since December 2014.
- Scientific adviser for the Earth & Life Institute at the Catholic University of Louvain since 2019

Management roles

- Administrator of the Institute for Desirable Futures and of the ‘Stop Planned Obsolescence’ association.
- Former board member of AFNOR, the French standards agency (2011-2014), of the support fund for standardisation (2012-2014), and of the Max Havelaar Association for Fair Trade (2008-2012).

Trade union activities

Secretary of the CFE Énergies trade union at EDF, elected to the Social and Economic Council, member of the Commission of Professions, former staff delegate.

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