

**LEONARD ORBAN**

State Secretary

Date of birth: June 28, 1961
Place of birth: Brasov, Brasov county
Marital status: married, one child

Studies:

1987-92 Faculty of Management, Academy of Economic Studies, Bucharest – B.A.Econ.
1981-86 Faculty of Mechanics, University of Brasov – B.Sc.(Mech.)

Professional experience:

- Since December 2004** State Secretary, Ministry of European Integration
- coordinates Romania' preparation for EU accession and, since April 2005, Romania's stand with reference to the active observer status in the EU
- December 2004 – April 2005** Chief Negotiator with the EU
- May 2001 – December 2004** Deputy Chief Negotiator with the EU
- 1993-2001** Parliamentary Counsellor for European and International Affairs, Parliament of Romania – Chamber of Deputies
- Technical secretary of the EU-Romania Joint Parliamentary Committee and of the Romanian Parliament delegations to the European Parliament, COSAC (Conference of Community and European Affairs Committees of Parliaments of the EU) and APCEMN/PABSEC (Parliamentary Assembly of Black Sea Economic Cooperation)
- 1990-1993** Research Institute of Machine Construction Technology (ICTCM), Bucharest, engineer
- 1989-1990** Special Industrial Constructions and Assembly Contract Company (IACSIM), Bucharest – engineer
- 1986-1989** Tractor Company, Miercurea Ciuc, engineer

Professional achievements:

- Co-signer, as Chief Negotiator with the EU, together with The President of Romania, the Prime Minister and the Minister of Foreign Affairs, of Romania's EU Accession Treaty, April 25, Luxembourg

Awards:

- Knight of the National Order "Steaua României" ("Star of Romania") for the contribution to Romania's accession to NATO, 2002

Public participations:

- 2001-2005** Speaker at numerous international conferences and seminars:
- 22.6.2005** “*The EU One Year After Enlargement - Implications for National Administrations and Training of Government Officials in Old and New Member States*” conference, Berlin
- 8.6. 2005** “*Romania – last stage of the European Integration: accumulations and challenges*”, annual dinner of the British-Romanian Chamber of Commerce, London
- 24.5.2005** “*The European Economic Space*” seminar, organized by the EFTA (European Free Trade Association) secretariate, Brussels
- 21.3.2005** Workshop on European policy problems, Institute of European Policies, Berlin
- 7.6.2004** “*Negotiations and Accession Process of Some South European Countries. Experiences and perspectives*” workshop, Budapest
- 14.5.2003** “*Recent Evolutions in the Enlargement Process*”, seminar Brussels
- 28.1.2003** “*EU Process After Enlargement: Law, Policy & Practice in a New World*” seminar, Brussels
- 21.11.2002** “*The Business Impact of EU Accession*” conference, Vienna
- 26.6.2002** The 13th Crans Montana Forum, Switzerland
- 14.3.2002** Reunion of the Budget Committee of the European Parliament regarding the financial implications of the enlargement and of the European Commission proposals for The Common Financial Framework 2004-2006 for the Accession Negotiations, Brussels
- 25.9.2001** Wilton Park Conference Park „*Enlarging the Union: Progress in The Accession Negotiations*”, Bratislava
- 2002** TV and radio interviews regarding the problems of European integration: National Television TVR1 (“Orizont 2007), ProTV (ProVest), Realitatea TV, N24 etc.

Foreign languages: English, French