

## Mr Luc van de Brande

Chairman of the Committee of the Regions – Welcome Address

### Details



Mr Luc Van den Brande has been a Member of the Committee of the Regions since 1994 and has held a number of different positions, such as Head of the Belgian Delegation and, for the last two years, that of First Vice-President. Since February, he has been President of the Committee of the Regions.

Luc Van den Brande started his career in active politics and as an elected representative more than thirty years ago. His commitments combine responsibilities at the Belgian, Flemish and international levels, in particular the European level.

He has most notably been:

- Member of the Belgian House of Representatives (1977-1991) and senator (1991-1995; 1999- )
- Federal Minister for Employment and Labour (1988-1992)
- Minister-President of the Government of Flanders (1992-1999)
- Chairman of the Assembly of European Regions (1996-2000)

He is also currently:

- Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (since 2001) and President of the EPP-CD Group (since 2005)
- President of the Flanders-Europe Liaison Agency (since 2006)

Luc Van den Brande also holds directorships of Flanders Technology International, the Lemmens Institute and the International Association Anton van Wilderode. Luc Van den Brande holds a doctorate in law and a degree in notarial studies and has been a member of the Mechelen bar for some twenty years.

### At the Conference

Mr Van De Brande Welcome Address Available on the front page of the CLECAT website