Curriculum Vitae - Gaston Eg. Thorn

Gaston Eg. Thorn was born in Luxembourg on September 3, 1928. His university education was acquired shortly after the war in Montpellier, Lausanne and Paris. He has a doctorate in law and is a member of the Bar of Luxembourg. He was President of the Luxembourg National Union of Students, the World Student Conference, and the World Federation of Democratic Youth. He first stood for election in 1959 and was elected as a centrist member. He was a member of the Luxembourg City Council from 1959 to 1969, and Deputy Mayor from 1961 to 1963. Member of the European Parliament from 1959 to 1969: Vice-Chairman of the Liberal Group, Chairman of the Committee on the Developing Countries, and Chairman of the Parity Committee of the Association CEE-EAMA, a body consisting of representatives of the European Economic Community and the Associated States of Africa and Madagascar. Member of the Council of Europe.

Appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs, Trade, the Civil Service, and Physical Education and Sport in the government formed after the election of December 15, 1968.

In 1961, at the age of 33, he was elected President of the Democratic Party, and he was re-elected to that office in 1964, 1968 and 1972.

President of the Liberal International since 1970.

Married to Liliane Thorn-Petit, journalist, and father of Alain, born December 12, 1962.