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Michiel has an MA degree in Germanic Languages and a postgraduate degree in Business Administration from the University of Antwerp and a post-university degree in Political Sciences and International Relations from the Université catholique de Louvain. After a career at the University of Mons (1991-94), the Flemish Community Commission in Brussels (1994-97) and the University of Ghent (1997-98), he was assistant director communication (1999-2000) and advisor international environmental policy (2000-09) of the Flanders Environment Agency. In the period 2009-14, he was advisor Water policy and EU & international affairs to the Cabinet of the Flemish Minister for the Environment, Nature and Culture.

In the period 2014-2021, he was head of Department of Air quality, Environment and Communication of the Flanders Environment Agency. Amongst his responsibilities are air quality monitoring and modelling, air emissions inventory, state of the environment reporting (MIRA), communication (internal & external) and international environmental policy. In the period 2014-2020, he was also Flemish Government representative in the Management Board of *De Watergroep* (Public Water Company of Flanders, Belgium).

Since 2021, Michiel is head of the Department of Air and HR Management. As from 1 January 2021 the Flanders Environment Agency is fully competent for Air policy in Flanders, including the drawing up of air quality management plans and measures.