



Paul Lemmens

Paul Lemmens (born 1954) studied law at the University of Antwerp and at KU Leuven and obtained his law degree ("Licentiate in Laws") in 1976. He subsequently obtained an additional Master's Degree in Law at Northwestern University, Chicago (1978). In 1987, he obtained his PhD ("Doctorate in Laws") at KU Leuven.

Paul Lemmens began his academic career as a research assistant in constitutional law (1976-1977) and civil procedure (1979-1986). He was subsequently appointed professor (1986) and in this capacity taught international human rights law (since 1986), and also civil procedure (1986-1995), administrative procedure (1995-1997) and constitutional law (1997-2008). He obtained emeritus status in 2019.

He combined his academic career with a career as a practising lawyer at the Brussels bar (1976-1984 and 1987-1994) and as an auditor viz. judge in the Belgian Council of State (1984-1987 viz. 1994-2024). He served as judge in the European Court of Human Rights (2012-2021). He also served as a member of the UNMIK Human Rights Advisory Panel in Kosovo (2007-2012). Currently, he is the Chair of the Administrative Tribunal of the Council of Europe (since 2024).