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Teodor Meleşcanu | Class of 1971

Teodor Meleşcanu, a distinguished Romanian diplomat, jurist, and politician, has made a profound impact on national and international governance. As a three-time Minister of Foreign Affairs, Minister of Defense, and President of the Senate, Teodor Meleşcanu played pivotal roles in shaping Romania's political and diplomatic trajectory. His career spans decades of public service, including a tenure as Director of the Foreign Intelligence Service (SIE) and academic contributions as a professor of international law and diplomacy. With deep expertise and unwavering dedication, Teodor Meleşcanu has exemplified leadership in the face of complex global and domestic challenges, leaving an enduring legacy.



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At the time Vice-President of the Senate of Romania, Teodor Meleşcanu addressed the World Conference of Speakers of Parliaments convened by the Inter-Parliamentary Union at United Nations Headquarters in 2005. Attendees discussed the evolving role of parliaments in addressing global issues.



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A leading diplomat and foreign policy figure for more than 4 decades, Teodor Meleşcanu met and negotiated with many foreign policy figures throughout his career. He is pictured above in 2018 speaking with German Foreign Minister Heiko Maas.



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Teodor Meleşcanu played a significant role in domestic politics. He is seen here speaking with the President of the Romanian Senate, Călin Popescu-Tăriceanu, at the Romanian Athenaeum in Bucharest, ahead of the official opening ceremony of Romania's Presidency of the Council of the European Union in 2019.

