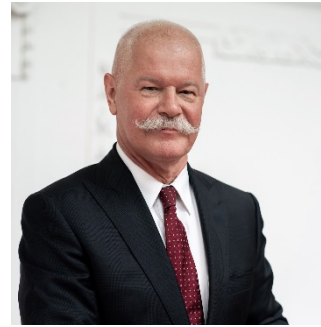


**JÁNOS CSÁK** economist, sociologist, honorary university professor, literary translator. Hungary's Minister of Innovation and Culture between 2022 and 2024.

Earned his degree in Finance and Sociology at Karl Marx University of Economic Sciences (currently called Corvinus University) in 1987. Completed the Executive Program of the University of Michigan Business School in 1996, and the Challenge of Leadership Program of INSEAD French business school in 2000.



As the CFO of Matáv (now Magyar Telekom) he plays an instrumental role in purchasing the 49% share in Westel900, one of the biggest Central and Eastern European mobile companies from MediaOne, and plays a pivotal role in Matáv's \$1 billion listing on the New York Stock Exchange in 1997. In 1996 he is senior treasury advisor at Ameritech Corporation (Chicago, USA). Between 1997 and 2001 he is chair of T-Mobile Hungary. In the years 1999 and 2000 he is chair of the MOL Group, and the company's long-term growth strategy that led to the MOL Group becoming regional leader in the industry, is elaborated under his leadership during this time. Between 2001 and 2003 he serves as executive board member of Creditanstalt Investment Bank (CA-IB), a Vienna-based comprehensive investment bank. Between 2003 and 2010 he works as investor and strategic advisor. He develops the new brand and business strategy of literature and art publisher *Helikon*, and revitalizes the magazine *Heti Válasz* in a state of near bankruptcy. Between 2009 and 2010 he is a visiting fellow in political economy and energy security at The Heritage Foundation in Washington, DC and at Acton Institute in Grand Rapids.

Between 2011 and 2014 he serves as Hungary's Ambassador accredited to the UK in London. Between 2014 and 2016 he is independent board member at Richter Gedeon and board member at Falcon Oil and Gas Ltd. and Wildhorse Energy Ltd. Between 2016 and 2019 he is chair and co-owner of Design Terminal, co-owner and board member at Arete Zrt., a start-up financing company, and chair and co-owner of BrainBar. In 2019 he sells these shares.

Between 2017 and 2021 he is leading researcher at the Social Futuring Center of Corvinus University. Between 2019 and 2020 he is member of the board of trustees of Maecenas Universitatis Corvini Foundation. Between 2015 and 2022 he serves as member of the board of directors of Bank of China CEE.

He is active in the areas of education, public life and culture as well. Between 2002 and 2022 he is member of the supervisory board of Saint Francis Foundation of

Déva. In 2003 he founds Széll Kálmán Foundation, an association of business leaders.

He is translator of several novels and professional literature. As an author, his recent works include *The Good Side of Life - Searching for Values in an Unstable World* (*Az élet jó oldala - Értékek keresése az ingatag világban*), co-authored with Franciscan monk Csaba Bőjte, published in 2023, and *The Genius of America* (*Az amerikai génius*) published in 2022, whereas the American edition of his book titled *The Genius of America* was published in the United States in April 2024.