

## Petr Kulhánek

## **Education:**

- Prague University of Economics and Business Business
  Economics and Management, and Psychology and Sociology in Business Management
- Two one-year internships:
  - Foothill College, San Francisco Bay Area Economics, Small Business Management
  - Business Administration a Australian Pacific College,
    Sydney Business Administration
- Secondary Technical School of Electrical Engineering Ostrov Automation Technology



## **Professional and Political Career**

- 2024–present Minister of Regional Development
- 2020–2024 Governor of the Karlovy Vary Region
- 2018–2020 HR Officer at Hofírek Consulting, Recruitment & Direct Search
- 2010–2018 Mayor of Karlovy Vary
- 2005–2010 Secretary General of F.I.J.E.T. (International Federation of Journalists and Travel Writers)
- 2000–2013 Director of the Publishing House Promenáda v.o.s., a regional publishing house of periodical and non-periodical publications
- 1998–2000 Director of HOPI Logistics, opening and launching of the CrossDock center in the Modletice/Jažlovice zone.

Petr Kulhánek was born in Karlovy Vary and graduated from the Secondary Technical School of Electrical Engineering in nearby Ostrov. He graduated from the University of Economics in Prague with a degree in Business Management. From 1998 to 2000 he worked as the director of HOPI Logistics. From 2000 to 2013 he was the director of the publishing house Promenáda v.o.s. In 2005 he became the Secretary General of F.I.J.E.T. (International Federation of Journalists and Travel Writers). A year later he co-founded the Karlovy Vary Civic Alternative (KOA). He has been a member of the Karlovy Vary City Council since 2006. From 2010 to 2018 he was the Mayor of Karlovy Vary and since 2012 he has been a member of the Karlovy Vary Regional Council. From 2018 to 2020 he worked as a human resources manager at Hofírek Consulting. He was the Governor of the Karlovy Vary Region from 2020 to 2024.

Petr Kulhánek is married with two children. He is interested in sports, in particular endurance running, ultramarathons, cycling and cross-country skiing.