

## **Taulant Balla, Minister of Interior of the Republic of Albania**



Taulant Balla was born on August 12, 1977. From July 2023, he is the Minister of the Interior in the Albanian Government.

He completed his higher and postgraduate studies in the branch of Political Sciences at "Al.I.Cuza" University in Iasi, Romania and then completed the Doctoral School where he defended the Thesis on "Reform of the Decision-Making System in the European Union" with the Magna Cum Laude rating.

Mr. Balla has also had several study experiences in several university centers in Konstanz, London, Paris, Washington.

In 2002, he joined the Department for International Relations of the Socialist Party. Mr. Balla was part of the political staff as an advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister and the Minister of Integration, the Minister of Finance and then a member of the political staff of the Prime Minister of Albania. In October 2017, he was elected General Secretary of the Socialist Party, a political post he held until September 2021.

In the parliamentary elections of 2005, Mr. Balla is elected a deputy of the Assembly of Albania representing the residents of Librazhd Municipality, Elbasan District.

From 2017, he held the duties of Chairman of the Parliamentary Group of the Socialist Party and Co-Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee for Stabilization - EU Association - Albania.

Mr. Balla communicates in several foreign languages.