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Academic Background:

- Economist
Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá 1970
- Master of Economic
University of Lancaster, England, 1972
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Harvard University, Boston, 1981
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Instituto de Alta Dirección Empresarial INALDE, Bogotá, 1986

Professional Experience:

- Co-Director of the Board of Directors of the Banco de la República, February 2005 - Present date.
- Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development, August 7, 2002 – February 3, 2005
- External Consultant on Alternative Development and Competitiveness in the Andean Region, Inter-American Institute of Co-operation on Agriculture, IICA, since 1999.
- President, Comunican S.A. Newspaper El Espectador, 1996-1997
- President, Caja Agraria, 1995-1996
- Founder and Director, Corporación Colombia Internacional, 1993-1995
- International Consultant on Strategic Planning, Inter-American Institute of Co-operation on Agriculture, IICA (Costa Rica), 1992-1993
- President, Sociedad de Agricultores de Colombia, SAC, 1990-1991
- General Manager, Federación Nacional de Arroceros, FEDEARROZ
- General Manger, Complejo Agroindustrial del Tolima S.A, CATSA, 1979-1982
- Financial Director, Export director, and General Manager, Textiles Espinal S.A., TEXPINAL, 1973-1974