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Economic Advisor to the Treasury of Malaysia, Kuala Lumpur, 1969-71 (with Harvard University's Development Advisory Service); Head of Monetary Division and Studies, OECD, Paris, 1971-73; Adviser to the Governor of Denmark's Central Bank 1973-83; Chairman, Danish Economic Council 1983-85.

Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Union in the European Communities ("Delors Committee") 1988-89; Member of the Swedish Government's Advisory Group on the economic crisis of 1992-93; Member of Group of Independent Evaluators of the Effectiveness of IMF Advice after the Asian Crisis 1998-99, Washington D.C. ; Chairman of the Economic and Development Review Committee of the OECD, Paris (monitoring Economic Surveys of OECD member countries/selected other countries) 2000-08.

Member of the Board of AP Moller-Maersk (shipping and oil & gas) 1979-95 ; Vice Chairman of the Novo Foundation (pharmaceuticals) 1982-92 ; Chairman of the Board of 3M Denmark 1986-94 ; Chairman of the Boards of Mercato dei Titoli di Stato (MTS SpA), Rome, and of EuroMTS plc., London 2003-06 ; Member of the Board of Nordea Investment Funds S.A., Luxembourg since 1996.

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Major publications : The Sources and the Impact of Monetary Changes, Copenhagen 1971, The Role of Monetary Policy in Stabilization (with K. Shigehara), OECD, Paris 1975, From the European Monetary System to the European Monetary Union (with D. Gros), London and New York 1992 and 1998, Globalization and Labor Markets (with Y. Kosai and R. Z. Lawrence), Trilateral Commission, New York, Paris and Tokyo 1996. App. 80 articles in international economic journals and conference volumes.

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