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Jan De Groof has dedicated his professional life to public law and education law, management and policy. He is known for his international experience and contributions to the promotion of the right to education as a fundamental human right. Besides this, he is government commissioner for the universities of the Flemish Community in Belgium.

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He was UNESCO Chargé de Mission for the Right to Education (2007-2009). For a number of years, he was Chef de Cabinet of the Flemish Minister for Education and Training.

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