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Managing Director of the Ceramics Museum of Argentona (Barcelona, Spain) since 1986. He is also the manager director of the Spanish Association of Cities of Ceramics and is a consultant of the European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation "Cities of Ceramics), which have more than 100 cities involved.

He was the General Coordinator of the 47<sup>th</sup> Congress and General Assembly of the International Academy of Ceramics - Barcelona 2016, event that has been a great success of participants and activities.

From 1991 until 2001 he served as a technician of Culture of the City Council of Argentona, Barcelona.

In 1987 he created the Ceramic School of Argentona, and he is also the director of the Argillà Argentona, the International Ceramic Fair of Argentona, which has 90 participants from all over the world and more than 50.000 visitors every year. Since 2005 he created the Ceramic Film Festival of Argentona. He has been a founding member of the Association of Ceramology of Spain and Portugal (1989) and the AeCC (2007), currently formed of 30 cities in Spain. He participated in the creation the European Grouping of Territorial Cooperation (EGTC) Cities of ceramics, with partners from France, Italy, Romania, which headquarters are in Spain. He also leaded mediTERRA, the Mediterranean network cities ceramic Pyrenees - Mediterranean Euroregion, since 2008.

He has lectured extensively and written articles on issues related to ceramics and crafts. He is the author of the publications "Imatges of Càntirs" (the presence of pottery in art) and the Guide of Pottery Museum of Argentona, "Càntirs Valencians de Fantasia" (Ceramic vessels from Valence) and "Càntirs d'Arreu del Món" (Water vessels from all around the world). As director of the museum boasts its credit the expansion of the collections to 4,000 current issues (highlighting various examples of classical antiquity and four made by Pablo Picasso), architectural and museum renovation done in 2000, the International Ceramics Fair of Argentona.