



Profile of Fernanda Borges

Fernanda Borges, born in East Timor was appointed Minister of Finance in 2001 by the Special Representative of the Secretary General, Dr. Sergio Vieira de Mello for the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor.

Prior to her appointment as Finance Minister, Ms Borges was employed by the United Nations as Economic Adviser, Head of Finance, Budget and Economic Affairs and Special Assistant to the Deputy Special Representative of the Secretary General. Ms Borges also worked as a Commercial Banker in Sydney, Australia for ten years. Following her resignation as the Minister of Finance in April 2002, she assisted the Right Reverend Bishop of Dili as his Financial Adviser.

Fernanda Borges completed her secondary education and tertiary education in Australia. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree in Economics and an MBA in Business Law and Public Sector Management from the University of Wollongong and the University of New England respectively.

In 2005 Fernanda Borges founded Partido Unidade Nacional and was elected President of the Party in January 2007 at the National Conference. Fernanda Borges led PUN in the parliamentary elections and succeeded in winning three seats for the first time in Parliament. MP Borges is now President of her Party Bench, Chair to Committee on Constitutional Issues, Justice, Government Legislation, Public Administration and Local Government. She is also the National Parliament's elected Member to the Superior Council of Defence and Security constitutionally established to advise the President of the Republic.

Ms Borges is currently the Executive President of Global Organisation of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC) Timor Leste Chapter.

She is fluent in three languages: Tetum, English and Portuguese. Ms Borges resides in Dili, East Timor.