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He served as President and Secretary-General/Treasurer of the European Association for Population Studies, and received the 'Clogg Award' from the Population Association of America in 2012. He is a Fellow of the British Academy, and an Affiliate of the Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania.

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