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In his previous career, he has mainly been involved in regional development issues in Belgium. First as the Province of Antwerp RDA's European Social Fund expert for the Objective 2 region 'Kempen', later as the director of the Regional Socio-Economic Committee for the same 'Kempen' region. In between he has been an advisor ('chef de cabinet adjoint') to the Belgian federal government on socio-economic and budget policy topics.

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He is fluent in Dutch (mother tongue), French and English.

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Key skills

Wim De Kinderen is an experienced professional in EU Affairs, both on project development (in areas such as ICT/data, Health, Mobility, Security, Manufacturing etc) and policy lobbying. He has a large network throughout the EU.

Through his position within the City of Eindhoven and Brainport Development, Wim De Kinderen has strong and interesting links with European networks such as the Vanguard Initiative, but also with ENoLL, Eurocities, ERRIN and OASC.