

## Donald Blinken

Donald Blinken, U.S. Ambassador to Hungary from 1994 – 1998, is a native New Yorker. He graduated Harvard University Magna Cum Laude in Economics and co-founded the investment banking/venture capital firm of E.M. Warburg, Pincus & Co. He was Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York, President of the Mark Rothko Foundation, President of the Brooklyn Academy of Music and served on the Boards of the New York Public Library and the New York Philharmonic. He is currently co-Chair of Columbia University's European Institute and is a member of the Advisory Board of its School of Public and International Affairs. He also serves on the Boards of the Council of American Ambassadors, the National Committee on American Foreign Policy, the Project on Ethnic Relations, Central European University in Budapest, and is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations. From 2000 to 2004, he served as Secretary General of the World Federation of United Nations Associations. Ambassador Blinken resides in New York City with his wife, Vera. His son, Antony, is National Security Advisor to Vice President Biden.