

A native of Landes and Nouvelle-Aquitaine, Eric was born at the crossroads of several heritages: Italian, Basque, and Spanish, which enriched his life, breeding ground for a deep-seated European commitment.

His political involvement began in 1986, at the time of the Devaquet Law, which promoted the right's desire to introduce a selection process for university entrance. This triggered a turning point and prompted him to join the Socialist Party (PS). Since then, his activism has been punctuated by encounters that have had a lasting impact on him, such as Henri Emmanuelli, a leading figure for the left and also originally from Landes and the Basque Country, and Nicole Péry, an elected representative from Bayonne and Member of the European Parliament from 1981 to 1997.

Politically involved in his region as First Federal Secretary of Landes for the past three years, Eric maintains a strong bond with the activists he represents. Since 2021, he has also been defending his territory as a Regional Councilor for Nouvelle-Aquitaine and Vice-President of the PS-Place publique majority group. He sits within the majority composed of the PS, PRG, PCF, and Place publique.

Outside of politics, in addition to being the father of two daughters, he remains a great nature enthusiast, a mushroom picker: porcini, chanterelle, and other varieties that populate our forests. He enjoys the contact with nature that shapes our territories, and as such, wishes to be a strong voice in favor of agriculture that reconciles people and their environment. Believing that the European Union's resources must benefit everyone, especially the most vulnerable, he aims to campaign for more balanced regional development.

Elected as an MEP in 2024 on Raphaël Glucksmann's "Réveiller l'Europe" list, he leads these fights as a full member and third Vice-President of the AGRI Committee. Eric has been following agricultural issues for several years, both in his role as a regional councilor for Nouvelle Aquitaine and as a member of the Socialist Party's national Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs committee. He also serves as an alternate member of the PECH and JURI committees.