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Annemie Turtelboom started her career as member of the Belgian Federal Parliament in 2003 after teaching marketing for 10 years. She returned to the Parliament in 2016, where she was an active member of the Committee for Foreign Affairs until April 2018.

She served as Vice Minister-President of the Flemish Government and Minister for Finance, Budget and Energy (2014-2016). Prior to this position, Annemie Turtelboom was Minister of Justice (2012-14) in the Federal Government of Belgium. During this term, she instituted a sweeping reform of the judiciary, oversaw the abdication of King Albert and the investiture of King Philippe. Before this mandate, Annemie Turtelboom was Minister of Home Affairs (2009-12) - the first woman in Belgian history - and Minister of Migration (2008-9) in the Belgian Federal Government. She was responsible for the public order and security issues as well as emergency situations. Between 2008 and 2014, she represented Belgium as Minister at the Justice and Home Affairs Council of the EU.

Throughout her career, Annemie Turtelboom has spoken extensively on topics related to auditing, China, 5G, security and migration, to stakeholders in the EU, at the United Nations, in Washington, D.C., and in various European capitals. As a strong supporter of gender equality and empowering youth, she has participated in several mentorship activities, most recently, in GLOBSEC's CEE HER mentorship program. In 2017, she was selected as Maurice R. Greenberg World Fellow at Yale University, where she returned in 2020 to give a series of lectures. Since 2019, she has been teaching graduate-level courses on the European budget at the University of Hasselt. In 2010, she co-authored "De toekomst kan elk moment beginnen" (The future can begin anytime). Currently, she is Member of the Steering committee of the King Baudouin Foundation's "Europe programme" and Member of the Antwerp America Foundation's Honorary Board. She was also a Board Member of the Port of Antwerp and President of the Friends of the Antwerp Fashion Museum.

Annemie Turtelboom is fluent in Dutch, English and French, and holds a degree in economics from KU Leuven.