

PHILIPPE FRANÇOIS

Philippe François a seasoned professional with a wealth of experience, is currently serving as the Present Editor-in-chief

Imagery (photo/video) at Belga News Agency in Brussels, Belgium, a position he has held since May 1, 2006. In this pivotal role, Philippe spearheads the Belga Image department, overseeing the editorial content of the Belga General Service photo & video newswire.

His responsibilities extend to managing on-demand editorial photo assignments, ensuring comprehensive coverage of politics, EBF, breaking news, and sports in Belgium, as well as reporting on Belgians abroad. Philippe is instrumental in leading and coaching a dynamic team of editors and photographers, guiding them in delivering impactful visual storytelling. His leadership also encompasses managing relations with approximately 100 partner agencies, further solidifying Belga's position as a trusted source for imagery.

Prior to his current role, Philippe François served as a Legal Journalist at Belga News Agency from October 1, 1999, to April 30, 2006. During this period, he reported extensively on the Belgian federal department of justice and covered major trials, including those of historical significance such as Van Noppen, Dutroux, and Vlaams Blok vzw.



Before joining Belga, Philippe embarked on a successful freelance journalism career from August 1, 1992, to September 30, 1999, based in Ghent, Belgium. His diverse reporting portfolio included covering faits-divers, city councils, trials, and conducting interviews for esteemed media outlets such as Het Laatste Nieuws, VSD Magazine in Paris, France, and La Voix du Nord in Lille, France.

With a robust background spanning legal journalism, freelancing, and his current leadership role, Philippe François is a linchpin in the media landscape, combining editorial acumen with a keen eye for visual storytelling and contributing significantly to the success of Belga News Agency.