Bernard Zeneli is specialized in development work that leads to growth and advances policy processes and creativity in Southeast Europe. Training of new and young political leaders, civil servants and university is in the core of his professional activities. He is also active and advises on issues related to public administration development in the Southeast Europe, educational policies and is active in accreditation processes for international pre-university education.

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During the period 2006 – 2012 Bernard spearheaded and developed Brain Gain Programme, an initiative of the Government of Albania supported by United Nations Development Programme. That programme sought to engage the intellectual Albanian Diaspora more effectively in the development of the country. As a result of this programme more than 200 distinguished individuals of Albanian background returned to Albania and are working for the public administration and institutions of higher education in Albania and the University of Durrës, Aleksandër Moisiu, was established together with several new graduate level programs in public and private institutions. The programme was closely associated with the office of the Prime Minister of Albania and the Ministry of Education and Science.

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