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Personal Details

Nationality German
Birth place Born 28 April 1944, Bad Kreuznach
Civil Married

Education

1963-1965 Trainee at the "Neue Rhein-Neue Ruhr-Zeitung" newspaper
1965-1969 Studied history, sociology and politics in Cologne and Bonn

Career

1969-1974 Head of the Public Relations Divisions at the Federal Ministry of the Interior
1974-1976 Head of the Analysis and Information Task Force at the Federal Foreign Office
1977-1978 Federal Party Manager of the Free Democratic party (FDP)
1978-1982 General Secretary of the FDP
1982 Joined the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD)
1983-1999 Member of the German Bundestag
1983-1998 Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee, German Bundestag
1986-1987 Spokesman of the SPD National Executive
1987-1989 Editor-in-Chief of "Vorwärts", the SPD newspaper
1990-1999 Chairman of the Radio Broadcasting Council of Deutsche Welle
1992 Chairman, European Union Special Committee, Bundestag
1993-1995 Federal Party Manager of the SPD
1994-1997 Deputy Chairman of the SPD, Parliamentary Group for Foreign, Security and Development Policy
1994-1997 Member of the Foreign Affairs Committee
1997 Chairman of the Socialist International Peace, Security and Disarmament Council
1997 Member of the SPD National Executive
1998-1999 Minister of State, Federal Foreign Office
September 1999 Member of the European Commission, Enlargement
November 2004 Vice-President of the European Commission in charge of Enterprise and Industry