

# Federal Foreign Minister Sigmar Gabriel

## Curriculum vitae

- Born in Goslar on 12 September 1959, 2 daughters, German school teacher
- Attended intermediate secondary school and grammar school in Goslar, passing university entrance examination;  
2 years of military service;

Completed teacher training as a grammar school teacher for German, politics, and sociology at the University of Göttingen; 1st state examination in 1987, 2nd state examination for grammar school teachers in 1988

## Political career

- Since January 2017  
Federal Foreign Minister
- December 2013 - January 2017  
Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Energy
- 14 November 2013  
Re-elected chairman of the Social Democratic Party of Germany
- 5 December 2011  
Re-elected chairman of the Social Democratic Party of Germany
- 13 November 2009  
Elected chairman of the Social Democratic Party of Germany
- November 2005 - October 2009  
Federal Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety
- Since October 2005  
Directly elected Member of the German Bundestag for constituency 49 (Salzgitter-Wolfenbüttel)
- 2003 - 2005  
Chairman of the SPD parliamentary group in the state parliament of Lower Saxony
- December 1999 - March 2003  
Minister-President of Lower Saxony
- 1999 - 2005  
Member of the executive committee of the SPD

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Chairman of the SPD parliamentary group in the state parliament of Lower Saxony
- 1997 - 1998  
Deputy chairman of the SPD parliamentary group in the state parliament of Lower Saxony
- 1994 - 1997  
Spokesman for domestic affairs in the SPD parliamentary group in the state parliament of Lower Saxony
- 1991 - 1999  
Borough councillor for the city of Goslar; chairman of the environment committee
- 1990 - 1994  
Member of the environment committee in the state parliament of the Lower Saxony
- 1990 - 2005  
Directly elected Member of the state parliament of Lower Saxony
- 1989 - 1990  
Teacher in adult education for the educational institute of adult education centres (VHS) in Lower Saxony
- 1987 - 1998  
District councillor for Goslar
- 1983 - 1988  
Teacher in adult education for the workers' educational organisation Arbeit und Leben and for the ÖTV and IG Metall trade unions
- Since 1979  
Member of the Public Services and Transport Workers' Union (ÖTV); later also of the metal workers' union (IG Metall) and the Workers' Welfare Association (Arbeiterwohlfahrt)
- Since 1977  
Member of the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD)
- 1976 - 1989  
Worked with children and young people within "Sozialistische Jugend Deutschlands - Die Falken", a youth organisation affiliated to the SPD