Curriculum Vitae: National Councilor Christa Markwalder

Christa Markwalder was elected to the Swiss National Council in 2003. Since then she has been member of the Foreign Policy Commission, which she is currently chairing. She is also member of the Committee for Legal Affairs and the German-language Drafting Committee. Since 2007, Christa Markwalder is part of the delegation to the Inter-Parliamentary Union.



Christa Markwalder started her political career in 1999 with the election to the Grand Council of the Canton of Bern and later in 2002, she became member of the City Council of Burgdorf. She is member of the Free Democratic Party (FDP) and has been the president of the New European Movement Switzerland since May 2006, a movement which campaigns for the membership of Switzerland to the EU. Besides, Christa Markwalder chairs the parliamentary group on renewable energies, the parliamentary group Green Cross, the parliamentary group for environmentally conscious management, and is the co-president of the parliamentary group for voluntary work and volunteering. In 2011, she was elected president of the parliamentary association Switzerland-USA.

Christa Markwalder holds a law degree and a certificate in ecology. After her studies, she worked as a research assistant at the Department of Business Law at the University of Bern. Since January 2008, she works as a lawyer for Zurich Financial Services.