

MECHTILD ROTHE



Place and date of birth: Germany, 10 August, 1947

Current position

- Vice-President of the European Parliament
- Member of the European Parliament since 1984:
 - Vice-Chair of the Socialist Group's SPD Delegation in the European Parliament (PSE)
 - Acts as spokeswoman on sustainable energy policy for the PSE group
 - Member of the European Parliament's Industry, Research and Energy Committee, and of European Parliament's Delegation to the Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly
 - Substitute member of the Foreign Affairs Committee,
 - Has been the Rapporteur for Directives relating to renewable energy and energy efficiency several times (Green and White papers on Renewable Energies, EU Directive on Electricity from Renewable Energy Sources, Energy Efficiency Directive, and Initiative Report on Heating and Cooling from renewable energies).

Other activities

- Since 2002: President of EUFORES (European Forum for Renewable Energy Sources)
- After graduating in German and Social Science, she became a secondary school teacher in Paderborn. Alongside her studying and teaching, she was a member of Bad Lippspringe Town Council