

Astrid Thors
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Master of Law 1983, Professional training at a local court 1986
Academic degree in French

Languages

Swedish, Finnish, English, French

Career

OSCE High Commissioner on National Minorities 20.8.2013-19.8.2016

Minister of Migration and European Affairs 19.4.2007-22.6.2011

Member of the Finnish Parliament 2004-2013;

Member of the European Parliament 1996- 2004

Senior legal advisor at the Association of Finnish local authorities 1993-1996
Deputy director and lawyer at the Association of Finland's
Swedish-speaking Municipalities 1989-1993

Political Assistant to Mr Norrback, Minister of defence and to Mr Taxell,
Minister of justice 1986-1989

Lawyer at the Association of Swedish-speaking Farmers in Finland 1983-1986

Positions of Trust; examples

Chair of the Advisory Board on Human Rights of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs' 2011-2013, member
2020-

Member of the Human Rights Delegation 2012-2013, member 2020- (delegation for the National
Human rights Institute)

Member of the Board of the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation 2018- (Uppsala, Sweden)

Vice President (on the Bureau) of the Liberal International 2017 -

President of the Liberal International's Human Rights Committee 2019-

Chair of the Pro Artibus Foundation 2017- 2022 (contemporary Art)

Vice President of the Board of the Arts University of Helsinki 2018-2023

Chair of the Arcada Foundation for Higher Education 2018-

Chair of the national ecolabelling board 2018-2023

Chair of the board of the Finnish Financial Ombudsman Bureau 2018-

Member of the board of the Finland Institute in Stockholm 2022-

Chair of the board of the Victoria foundation 2004-

Examples of Previous Positions of Trust

Chair of National Committee of Unicef Finland 2000-2005

Chair of the Refugee Advisory Council 2007

Vice President of EDLR,(now ALDE) 2011-2013

Vice Chair of the Swedish People's Party 1992-2000

Chair of The Swedish Assembly of Finland, Folktinget 2005-2007