

Hans-Dietrich Genscher
Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs and Deputy Federal Chancellor ret.

born on 21 March 1927 at Reideburg/Saalkreis
married, one child

- 1943-1945** Air Force auxiliary, Reich labour service, military service, briefly American and British prisoner of war
- 1946** secondary school certificate
- 1946-1949** studied law and economics at Halle and Leipzig Universities
- 1946-1952** Member of the Liberal Democratic Party of Germany (LDPD), division of Saxony-Anhalt
- 1949** first state examination in law in Leipzig
- 1952** leaves the GDR to the Federal Republic of Germany
- 1952** Member of the Free Democratic Party (F.D.P.)
- 1954** second state examination in law in Hamburg
solicitor in Bremen
- 1956** Research Assistant of the F.D.P. parliamentary party
- 1959-1965** Director of the F.D.P. parliamentary party, at the same time (1962-1964)
National Director of the F.D.P.
- 1965-1998** Member of the German Bundestag
- 1965-1969** Whip of the F.D.P. parliamentary party
- 1968-1974** Deputy Chairman of the F.D.P
- 1969-1974** Federal Minister of the Interior
- 1974-1985** Chairman of the F.D.P., member of the federal representative council
- 1974-1992** Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs and Deputy Federal Chancellor
- 18.05.1992** resignation as Minister for Foreign Affairs and Deputy Federal Chancellor at his own request
- May 1992** Honorary Chairman of the F.D.P.
- 1999** took up again solicitor's activities with [Büsing, Müffelmann & Theye](#), Berlin office
- 2000** Managing Partner, Hans-Dietrich Genscher Consult GmbH

Deceased on 31 March 2016 in Wachtberg near Bonn, Germany