

Curriculum vitae of Petra Bayr

Professional experience

1983 – 1986	Editor of <i>Kaktus</i> , a pupil magazine
1984 – 1985	Freelancer at the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation ORF and at different youth magazines
1986 – 1996	Moderator and facilitator in extra-curricular youth work, large group animations
1994 – 1997	Employee at the Works Council of ÖIAG, the Austrian Industry Holding Company
1994 – 1996	Parliamentary assistant at the Austrian National Assembly
1997 – 2001	Co-ordinator at “Ega” communications and culture center for women, Vienna
2001 – 2022	Civil society networking, anti-racism activities and international relations at SPÖ Vienna
2011 – 2013	Master of Arts in Human Rights, Danube University Krems. Thesis on the human rights based approach of Austrian HIV/Aids policy. Die österreichische Aids Politik betrachtet durch eine Menschenrechtsbrille
2013 – 2017	Master of Legal Studies, Danube University Krems. Thesis on hate speech offences in the Austrian penal code. Der Straftatbestand der Verhetzung im österreichischen Strafgesetzbuch

Political experience

1984 – 1997	Youth section of the trade union for private employees (GPA), <i>inter alia</i> chairperson of the pupil and later of the student section
1985 – 2002	Active at the women’s section of the trade union for private employees (GPA)
Since 1986	Activist at the Social Democratic Party of Austria (SPÖ) in my Viennese home district Favoriten
1990 – 1992	Chair of the Women’s Commission of the Austrian Youth Council (ÖBJR)
1994 – 1996	Member of the District Parliament of Favoriten/Vienna, responsible for drug policy
1996 – 2002	Member of the Vienna City Council, focus on environment, urban planning and inclusion of people with special needs
1999 – 2001	Chair of the “Young Generation” section of SPÖ Favoriten
1999 – 2003	Chair of the “Young Generation” section of SPÖ Vienna and member of the Executive Board of SPÖ Vienna
Since 2000	Chair of SPÖ Women’s Organisation in Favoriten and Deputy Chair of the Social Democratic Party Favoriten
Since 2002	Member of the Austrian National Council, SPÖ spokesperson for global development
2003 – 2024	Chair of the Sub-Committee of the Foreign Affairs Committee on Development Co-operation
2003	Founder of the platform StopFGM Austria to end female genital mutilation
2007 – 2011	Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Environment of the National Assembly and spokesperson for environment and climate of the SPÖ

Since 2009	Deputy Chair of the SPÖ Women's Organisation in Vienna
2010 – 2015	Member of the Executive Committee of the European Parliamentary Forum on Sexual and Reproductive Rights (EPF)
2010 – 2016	Deputy Chair of GLOBE Europe (Global Legislators Organisation for a Balanced Environment)
2011	Founder of "Mother's Night" Austria to end maternal mortality globally
Since 2012	Member of the Board of Trustees of <i>Rechtskomitee Lambda</i> , Austria's LGBTIQ rights organisation
2012 – 2021	Member of the Advisory Group on Health of the Interparliamentary Union (IPU)
2013 – 2017	Member of the Steering Committee of the Inter-Parliamentary Coalition Combating Antisemitism (ICCA)
Since 2015	Board member of Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) and treasurer
Since 2018	Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)
2018 – 2020	Vice-President of the European Parliamentary Forum on Sexual and Reproductive Rights (EPF)
2020 – 2022	Chairperson of the Committee on Equality and Non-Discrimination at PACE
2020 – 2024	President of the European Parliamentary Forum on Sexual and Reproductive Rights (EPF)
2022 – 2024	General Rapporteur on Combating Racism and Intolerance at PACE
Since 2023	SPÖ spokesperson on Foreign Affairs and Global Sustainability Policy
Since 2024	Chairperson of the Committee on the Election of Judges to the European Court of Human Rights at PACE
Since 2025	Chairperson of the Committee on Foreign Affairs at the Austrian National Council