



Martin Dörmann

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Introduction

During the elections held on September 22, 2002, I was directly voted into my first term in the Bundestag by the Cologne Constituency 94 (Porz, Kalk, nördliche Innenstadt) with a 50% majority win of the first votes.

The Info-Brochure 2003 is an informational guide about me, my staff, my offices, and my work as a Member of Parliament in Berlin and in my constituency.

If you would like to access more information about me as well as find out about current issues of interest, please visit my homepage: www.martin-doermann.de There you can also download the color version of this Info-Brochure.

Thank you for your interest, and enjoy!



Martin Dörmann, MdB

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1. Biographical Information

Martin Dörmann

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Bundestag Representative for Constituency 94

Cologne I (Porz, Kalk, nördliche Innenstadt)

Biographical Summary

Born on June 30, 1962 in Herten/Westfalen. Resident of Cologne since 1966.

Education and Career:

High school diploma 1981 from Gymnasium Köln-Rodenkirchen. 1981-1982 Community Service with the Arbeiterwohlfahrt Cologne. University studies in Law in Cologne und Bonn. 1992-1998 Member of staff and research support for Walter Rempe, Member of Parliament (Constituency Köln Innenstadt/Porz/Poll), Renate Schmidt (Vice President of the German Parliament) und Anke Fuchs (Vice Chairman of the SPD Fraction in Bundestag). 1997-1999 Junior Lawyer in the District Court of Cologne. Since 1999 Attorney at Law in Cologne.

Political Involvement:

Member of the German Social Democratic Party (SPD) since 1979. 1983-2001 Member of the Executive Council of the SPD-local association of Rondorf/Sürth/Meschenich. 1989-1994 Member of district agency for Rodenkirchen. 1995-1997 Chairman of SPD-City District Rodenkirchen. 1995-2001 Chairman of SPD-City District Rondorf/Sürth/Meschenich. Since 1995 in the Unterbezirksvorstand der Köln SPD. Since 1997 Vice Chairman of Cologne SPD. 1997-2001 Leader of Kommission Organisationspolitik. 1998 Participant in a politically-oriented study program in the USA as a Fellow of the German Marshall Fund of the United States". Since 1999 Delegate in the SPD-National Convention. Member of the Proposal Commission of the National Conventions of 1999 und 2001. Directly voted as Representative and Member of the German Parliament for the Constituency 94 Cologne I (Porz, Kalk, Deutz, northern part of Cologne Inner City) since October 2002.

2. Constituency in Cologne: Porz, Kalk, northern part of Cologne Inner City

The Constituency 94 (Köln I) consists of the Cologne districts of Porz and Kalk as well as the city districts Innenstadt, the Altstadt-Nord, Neustadt-Nord und Deutz. The constituency reaches from the television tower „Colonius“, over the Dom, the City Hall, and the Kölnarena up until and including the Airport Köln/Bonn. Within the borders of the constituency live 280,00 people.



View from the Rhine of the Dom and the Altstadt



Kölnarena in Deutz



Porzer District Town Hall



Kalker Kapelle

3. Results of the Bundestag Elections in 2002 in the Cologne Constituency

With what is referred to as the "first vote" (Erststimme), voters indicate which candidate in their constituency they would like to represent them in Germany's Bundestag. Thus in each of Germany's 299 constituencies one candidate is selected directly on a first-past-the-post basis. In other words, the identity of half of Germany's MPs is determined by a "direct" vote. The remaining MPs are chosen "indirectly" from candidate "lists" put forward by the parties.

However, the distribution of the Bundestag's 598 seats, and thus the future government, is determined almost entirely through the second vote (Zweitstimme). This is because the number of seats held by each party depends on the percentage of "second" votes it obtains.

First Votes

Candidate	Votes	%	Difference from 1998
Martin Dörmann (SPD)	68.259	50,0	- 1,6
Ursula Heinen (CDU)	44.173	32,4	- 0,8
Ralf Scherbaum (GRÜNE)	12.467	9,1	+ 0,7
Marco Mendorf (FDP)	7.401	5,4	+ 2,5
Other	4.139	3,0	- 0,8

The losses of First Votes in comparison to the Bundestag elections of 1998 is -1,6 % less than that of the Cologne average (-1,8%) and clearly less than that of North Rhine- Westphalia and in the Federation. The difference between the results of the First Votes and the results of the Second Votes for the SPD in the constituency rose from 5,3 % (1998) to 7,1 % (2002) (National Average: 3,4 %). This is with a + 1,8 % difference of the largest increase in all of the 4 Cologne constituencies. Voter participation was 75,5 % (Nationwide: 79,1%).

Second Votes

Party	Votes	%	Difference from 1998
SPD	58.636	42,9	- 3,4
CDU	39.716	29,1	+ 0,1
GRÜNE	20.758	15,2	+ 3,9
FDP	11.805	8,6	+ 1,4
Other	5.778	4,2	- 2,0

In Comparison: The results of the Second Votes for the SPD at other levels:

	Votes	%	Difference from 1998
Köln	214.173	41,7	- 2,8
NRW	4.499.388	43,0	- 3,9
Bund	18.488.668	38,5	- 2,4

4. Overview of the Offices in Berlin and Cologne

In addition to the main office in Berlin, Martin Dörmann has three offices in the Constituency, which he shares with the other SPD Representatives from Cologne: the offices in Kalk and Porz, which mainly serve the concerns of the local citizens and are also used by the State Representatives; and the office in the city-center of Cologne, which is shared with the other three Cologne Members of Parliament.

5. The MP Office in Berlin

The Berlin office of Martin Dörmann is located in the Administrative Building "Unter den Linden 50", about three minutes from the Brandenburg Gate by foot.

The official address of the Berlin office:



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View of the Russian Embassy (left) and the Brandenburg Gate (right) from the Berlin office.

6. The Staff in Berlin

The Chief of the Berlin Office is Stefan Stader, with Chloe Aublin working as Research Assistant.



Stefan Stader und Chloé Aublin

■ Stefan Stader

Stefan Stader was born in 1957 in Mönchengladbach. After working as an electrical technician and obtaining his high school diploma from night school, he studied theology, philosophy, German, and modern history at the Universities of Bonn and Duisburg.

Stefan Stader has been a member of the SPD since 1989 and since then has been very active in the political realm: Vorsitzender der Juso-AG Bonn-Poppelsdorf, Beisitzer im Ortsvereinsvorstand Bonn-

Poppelsdorf, stellv. Juso-UB-Vorsitzender, Mitglied für den UB Bonn im Juso-Bezirksausschuss Bezirk Mittelrhein, Referent für Politische Bildung und kritische Wissenschaft im ASTA der Uni Bonn, Referent für Hochschulpolitik im ASTA der Gesamthochschule Duisburg, Beauftragter für die Hochschulgruppen. Kooptiertes Mitglied im Bezirksvorstand Niederrhein, Beisitzer im Ortsvereinsvorstand Köln-Dellbrück, Gründungsmitglied des Bildungswerks „Männer und Gewalt“ in Bonn.

For several years Stefan Stader has been organizing tour groups with a travel agency in Bonn for the Munich Philharmonic and the Bankenkongresse. He worked for three years at the Administrative Office (Parlakom) in the Parliament while it was located in Bonn, followed by work in the Ministry of Transportation in the area of travel costs. From 1998 until 2000 Stefan Stader worked in the medical section of the Bureau for Community Service. In 2001 he moved to Berlin, where he became Head of the Office of Cologne Member of Parliament, Günter Oesinghaus. This led to his current work with Martin Dörmann.

■ Chloé Aublin:

Chloé Aublin was born in 1977 in Lyon, France. After high school she studied literature and German from 1995 until 1997 at the Lycee Edouard Herriot in Lyon. From 1997-1998 she studied German at the University of Lyon 2-Lumiere; from 1998-2000 she studied political science in Paris at the Institut d'Etudes Politiques with a concentration in European Community (European law, European domestic and foreign policy, European economy, and comparative social policy) .

In 2002 she completed her studies in Paris and moved to Berlin. Chloe Aublin worked in the Secretariat of the Parliamentary Committee on European Affairs and in the Office of Member of Parliament Monika Griefahn. Chloe also works with Dr. Sabine von Oppeln at the Otto Suhr Institute for Political Science at the Freie Universität in Berlin. She is responsible for the organization of the German-French Studienzyklus in Political Science and Sociology.

7. Offices in Cologne

The three Offices in Cologne serve as drop-in centers for the citizens of the constituency and are the points of contact for the constituency.

Information on the three offices:

■ SPD-Citizens Office in Porz (Constituency Office)

Hauptstraße 327, 51143 Köln (Porz)

Tel.: 02203 / 52144, Fax: 02203 / 51044

martin.doermann@wk.bundestag.de

Open Hours:

Monday through Friday from 9:00 until 16:00

Staff for Martin Dörmann, MdB:

Rüdiger Kibilka (9:00 until 13:00)

Staff for Friedhelm Lenz, MdL:

Marion Tillmann (12:30 until 16:00)

Tip: As well as serving as the office for the citizens of the constituency, the office in Porz is the main constituency office for Martin Dörmann. The contact person for concerns in the constituency is Rüdiger Kibilka.

■ SPD-Citizens Office in Kalk

Kalker Hauptstraße 212, 51103 Köln

Tel.: 0221 / 880 5367 (Mondays)

Open Hours:

Monday from 15:00 until 18:00,

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 11:00 until 14:00, and Thursday from 12:00 until 15:00

(Tel.: 0221 / 870 4302)

Staff for Martin Dörmann, MdB:

Ralf Steinmeier (Monday)

Staff for Stephan Gatter, MdL:

Dieter Jendrollik (Tues. through Fr.), Tel.: 0221 / 870 4302

■ Office for the Cologne SPD Bundestag Representatives

Albertusstraße 40-46, 50667 Köln (Innenstadt)

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Business Hours: Monday through Friday: 9:00 – 17:00

Staff: Renate Dinkelbach



Constituency Office in Porz

8. The Staff in Cologne

Since November 2002 Martin Dörmann has had a staff of three in the constituency.

The Chief of Staff in the **main constituency office in Porz** is Rüdiger Kibilka.

Ralf Steinmeier holds office hours every Monday at the **office in Kalk**. He is also in charge of the www.martin-doermann.de website.

Working with both of the above-mentioned offices, Renate Dinkelbach is a member of the staff in the SPD-Bundestag Representative Office in Cologne.

We would like to introduce to you the Staff in Cologne:



Rüdiger Kibilka

Citizens Office in Porz (Constituency Office):

■ **Rüdiger Kibilka**

Rüdiger Kibilka was born in 1955 in Wesseling and has been a member of the SPD since 1978 and since October 2002 the Chairman of the local SPD association, Ensen/Westhoven.

After studying Political Science, Sociology, and State Law at the University in Bonn, he worked as a research assistant for a State Representative in Düsseldorf. He then worked as a clerk with the municipality of Erftstadt (Erftkreis) in the areas of economics, transportation development, and social welfare, as well as working in the Mayor's office. In 1992 he was voted as the first Assistant Mayor of Wesseling, and then 1994 as Mayor.

Rüdiger Kibilka is married to the Pastor Ingrid Kibilka, and they have one son.

Citizens Office in Kalk and Homepage:

■ **Ralf Steinmeier**

Ralf Steinmeier was born in 1966 to a social-democratic family in the Cologne district of Kalk and has lived there ever since.



Ralf Steinmeier

After graduating from secondary school he completed a technical training program and in 1992 continued on to be an industrial manager. Since 1994 he has worked in different areas within the field of customer service and since July 1999 he was worked for a large health insurance company as a sales representative. In his free time he enjoys participating in social and church-related activities. Ralf Steinmeier has been a member of the SPD since May 2001 and is active in the local association of Brück. Since the beginning of November, 2002 he has been the managing director of the district SPD-Fraction in Kalk. Since the Bundestag elections of 2002 he has been in charge of the Homepage for Martin Dörmann.

Office for the Cologne SPD Bundestag Representatives:

■ **Renate Dinkelbach**

Renate Dinkelbach, born in 1949, has been a member of the SPD since 1972, the Willy-Brandt Era. Her main areas of interest lay in the Young Socialists and work with the local associations, as well as in politics for women. She was for years a member of the Local Association for Women. She completed her secondary education and then went on to study social work. Her work in a therapy home for boys was an experience from that continues to influence her. She then worked for eight years as the Education and Youth Minister of the German Socialist Youth Organization, "Die Falken". Since 1998 she has worked in the Office for the Cologne SPD Bundestag Representatives, focusing on the themes: publicity, education, and communal work. In her free time she enjoys jogging along the Rhine, travelling to exotic countries, and cooking.



Renate Dinkelbach

9. Work in the Bundestag

Martin Dörmann is a Member of

■ **The Committee for European Affairs**
as well as

■ **The Committee for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture**

He is also a substitute Member of

■ **The Committee for Internal Affairs**

The **composition of the committees** is ordered after the strength of each Fraction in Parliament. In the current 15th legislative period there are 21 standing committees, each consisting of between 15 to 42 Members and the same number of substitute Members .

The main work of the Parliament is done within the committees, and not in the plenum, as is frequently assumed. The negotiations and proceedings are all prepared in the committees. Deliberations are implemented by each respective committee. The experts from each Fraction and Group come together in the committees. The area of work of the committees correlate to the separation of powers and responsibilities of each Ministry, and that in turn illustrates the parliamentary control under which the government operates.

The members of the SPD Fraction in each committee form SPD Work Groups, which prepare the work done within the committees

10. The Committee for European Union Affairs

Of the 30 Members of the Committee for European Affairs, 14 are from the SPD, 13 are from the CDU, and 3 each are from the Greens and the FDP. SPD Members of the Committee alongside **Martin Dörmann** are, among others, **Kurt Bodewig** (Vice Chairman of the Committee), **Günter Gloser** (SPD-Speaker) **Lale Akgün**, **Michael Roth**, und **Ottmar Schreiner**.

The Committee for European Affairs, often called the EU-Committee, is the fourth committee to be named in the German Constitutional Charter . Article 45 of the German Basic Law stipulates the mandatory appointment of this Committee for every legislative period.

Along with the official appointment of the EU-Committee came its organizational and parliamentary guidelines which were drawn from Article 23 of the Basic Law. This Article provides that the responsibilities of the EU-Committee will be shared by the Bundestag, the Bundesrat, and the government as a whole.

In principle, all of the Committees in the Bundestag are responsible for European affairs in the context of their respective topics of concentration. Nevertheless, the EU-Committee is the nerve core where the decision process for European politics takes place.

The responsibilities of the EU-Committee, functioning as the Committee for Integration, include answering principle questions about the integration of the European Union, the institutional reform of the EU and other changes in the proposed EU Constitution, the expansion of the EU, and the collaboration of the European Parliament with the Parliaments of each EU state.

In addition to its role as Integration Committee, the EU-Committee is a cross section of the other Committees in the German Bundestag. In other words, it is involved in many different projects that have to do with European affairs in different political fields, and it does not necessarily focus on one specific theme or main topic.

As an example, during the last 14th legislative period, the Committee on European Affairs has been working on the implementation of the so-called "Agenda 2000", the Nice Treaty. This deals with the expansion of the European Union to include ten countries from Central and Eastern Europe, Malta, and Cyprus, as well the planning of the future of the EU and the European Convention, which was decided upon by the European Council in Laeken.



The eastern expansion of the European Union and the work on the European Constitution are still the main themes of the EU-Committee in the current 15th legislative period.

11. The Committee for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture

Of the 30 Members of the Committee for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture, 13 are from

the SPD, 12 are from the CDU, 3 are from the Greens, and 2 are from the FDP. The Chairman of

the Committee is **Herta Däubler-Gmelin**. The Speaker of the SPD is **Matthias Weißheit**.

The most significant percentage of deliberations within this Committee revolves around law implementation in the areas of nutrition, agriculture, fishery, forestry, and the protection of the coasts. Other work within the Committee includes projects in the areas of environment, health, and economy.

The theme of Consumer Protection has been coming to the forefront of attention, both in the government and to the public eye. Some of the most important legal plans in this legislative period have therefore been in the areas of consumer information law and product information law.

Links: More information about these two Committees can be found under:

www.bundestag.de/gremien

12. Weeks in Session in 2003

■ The 21 **Weeks in Session during 2003** of the German Bundestag in Berlin are the 3rd, 5th, 7th, 8th, 11th, 12th, 14th, 15th, 19th, 21th, 23rd, 26th, 27th, 37th, 39th, 42nd, 43rd, 45th, 46th, 48th and the 50th weeks (Special Sessions of the Bundestag: on the 22th of January 2003 in Versailles and on the 17th of June 2003).

■ **The weekly schedule of Martin Dörmann** during a typical week in session runs as follows:

Monday: Arrival, Staff Meeting, preparation for upcoming Committee meetings, misc. appointments

Tuesday: Meeting of the SPD-Work Group for the Committee for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture, Meeting of the SPD-Work Group for the Committee on European Affairs, Meeting of the SPD Fraction in the Bundestag, evening event for the SPD District Group of North Rhine-Westphalia

Wednesday: Committee meeting for Consumer Protection, Nutrition, and Agriculture, In the Plenary: Question and Answer session, Regulatory questions, Committee for European Union Affairs, most of the evening events

Thursday: Plenary, office work, evening events

Friday: Plenary, office work, return to Cologne

13. The Homepage: martin-doermann.de

You can find more information on the Homepage: www.martin-doermann.de. Members of the SPD have the opportunity to subscribe to our email list and in doing so, will receive the "Berlin Depesche", a regular newsletter reporting up-to-date happenings. If you are interested, please send an email to martin.doermann@bundestag.de, specifying to which local association you belong.