



Tørnæs, Ulla (V)

**Former Member of the Folketing,
The Liberal Party**

Former Minister

Ulla Pedersen Tørnæs, born September 4th 1962 in Esbjerg, daughter of fishing-vessel master and former Minister Laurits Tørnæs and director Katty Tørnæs.

Member period

Member of the Folketing for The Liberal Party in South Jutland greater constituency, 5. June 2019 – 1. November 2022.

Member of the Folketing for The Liberal Party in South Jutland greater constituency, 13. November 2007 – 30. June 2014.

Member of the Folketing for The Liberal Party in Ribe County constituency, 21. September 1994 – 13. November 2007.

Candidate for The Liberal Party in City of Esbjerg nomination district, 2016-2022.

Candidate for The Liberal Party in City of Esbjerg nomination district, 2007-2012.

Candidate for The Liberal Party in Esbjerg nomination district, 1994-2006.

Parliamentary career

Minister for International Development, 28. November 2016 – 27. June 2019.

Minister for Higher Education and Science, 29. February 2016 – 28. November 2016.

Member of the European Parliament for the Liberal Party, 2014-2016.

Minister for Development Cooperation, 18. February 2005 – 23. February 2010.

Minister for Education, 27. November 2001 – 18. February 2005.

Political spokeswoman, 1998-2001.

Member of the management committee of the parliamentary group of the Liberal Party, 1994-2001.

Education

Law studies, University of Copenhagen, 1991.

Copenhagen Business School, 1985-1988.

Studies, Chambéry University, France, 1984-1985.

Studies, Odense University, 1982-1984.

Sojourn, Chambéry Upper Secondary School, France, 1981-1982.

Matriculated in modern languages, Esbjerg State Upper Secondary School, 1981.

Employment

Employed at the secretariat of the parliamentary group of the Liberal Party, 1986-1994.

Affiliations

Member of the central board of the Liberal Party from 2014.

Member of the management committee of the Danish Liberal Democracy Programme (DLDP), 2010-2016.

Member of the management committee of 'Plan Danmark', 2010-2013.
Member of the central board of the Liberal Party, 1998-2010.
Vice-president of the International Federation of Liberal and Radical Youth, 1989-1993.
National chairwoman of Liberal Students of Denmark, 1988-1990.
Member of the management committee and executive committee of the Liberal Party in Eastern
Copenhagen large constituency, 1988-1991.

Awards

Burkina Faso, l'ordre de l'Etalon, 2019.
Zonta International District 13, 100-års jubilæumspris, 2019.
Æresdoktor, Université Savoie Mont Blanc, 2019.
Kommandør af 1. grad af Dannebrog, 2017.

The biography is no longer updated from November 2nd 2022.