

Dr. rer. pol. Joachim Schuster

- » Member of the European Parliament for the Federal State of Bremen (Bremen and Bremerhaven)
- » Member of the German Social Democratic Party (SPD)
- » Member of the Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament (S&D)



Present functions in the European Parliament

- » Vice-Chairman of the SPD group in the European Parliament
- » Member of the Committee on International Trade (INTA)
- » Substitute member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)
- » Substitute member of the Delegation to the ACP Joint Parliamentary Assembly

Main political activities

European and International trade: CETA, TTIP, TISA, Asia, Africa, Ukraine

Personal details

Born on 28th of October 1962 in Rastatt, married, two children

Education and Professional experience

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| 1982 | Highschool degree at the Gymnasium Gevelsberg |
| 1982 - 1983 | Community service in a retirement home in Volmarstein |
| 1984 - 1989 | Studies in political science at the Philips University Marburg (diploma) |
| 1993 | Doctoral degree on the analysis of prospects of the European economic and monetary union |
| 1991 - 1994/
1997 - 1999 | Research Assistant in projects on the issues of European integration and the impact and role of European trade unions |
| 1994 - 1999 | Independent policy advisor |
| 1999 - 2006 | Managing director of the Institute for Applied Social and Political Science (ISPW) in Bremen |

Political career

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| Since 1980s | Student representative and supporter of the peace movement |
| Since 1982 | Active in the German Social Democratic Party's young division JUSOS, and later within the Party where he held several positions |
| 1999 - 2006 | Member of the regional parliament <i>Bremische Bürgerschaft</i> as environmental spokesperson, and later as social policy spokesperson |
| 2006 - 2012 | State Secretary of the Bremen Ministry for Labour, Youth and Social Affairs and later for Science and Health |
| Since 2014 | Member of the European Parliament |