Curriculum Vitae

Gerold Reichenbach, Member of the Bundestag

- Date / Place of birth: 28 September 1953, Geinsheim

- Marital status: married

Education

- 1972: Obtained Abitur (higher-education entrance qualification)

- 1972 – 1978: Studied German literature and linguistics and social science at the Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt

- 1979 – 1980: Teacher training in Rüsselsheim

Professional career

- 1981 – 1995: academic secondary school teacher in Darmstadt and later Groß-Gerau

Political career

- Since 1976: Member of the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD)

- 1980 – 1981: Chairman of the Groß-Gerau subdistrict branch of the JUSO (youth section of the SPD)

- 1981 – 1999: Member of Trebur municipal council (1985 – 1994: chairman of the committee on social affairs, culture and sport)

- 1984 – 2014: Member of the executive committee of the Groß-Gerau subdistrict branch of the SPD, chairman from 2008-2010

- 1988-2010: Member of Groß-Gerau county council

- 1995-2002: directly elected Member of the Land Parliament of Hesse; member of the Committee on Agriculture and the Environment and of the Committee on Economics and Transport

- Spokesman on housing and urban development of the SPD parliamentary group in the Land Parliament of Hesse

- 1998/99 and 2001-2015: Member of the executive committee of the Hesse South district branch of the SPD

- Since 2002: elected Member of the German Bundestag (constituency of Groß-Gerau)

- 2002 – 2013 Member of the Committee on Internal Affairs and of the Subcommittee on Civic Activities

- Since 2014 Member of the Committee on Internal Affairs and member and substitute chairman of the Committee on Digital Agenda

- SPD rapporteur for civil protection and disaster management, data security and data protection on the Committee on Internal Affairs

- SPD rapporteur for IT security, data security and data protection on the Committee Digital Agenda

- Since 2014 member of the advisory board of the foundation for data protection

Honorary commitments

- 1974 – 1980: Youth welfare volunteer, Groß-Gerau County

- 1989 – 1995: Honorary judge at Darmstadt Regional Court

- Since 1976: Volunteer helper for the Federal Agency for Technical and Disaster Relief (THW)

- President of the Hess branch of the THW association

- Member of the federal board of the THW association

- Since 2015: member of the advisory board of the "Marktwächter Digitale Welt" of the Federation of German Consumer Organizations (vzbv e.V.)

Participation in national and international disaster relief missions

- 1991 and 1999: Urban search and rescue missions in Costa Rica and Turkey (earthquakes)

- 1992: Emergency food aid in Russia

- 1994, during Bosnian war (Mostar): Assessment and fact finding mission

- 1995: Urban search and rescue mission for missing people after the collapse of the "Red Tower" in Jena

- 1997: Member of the operational command and control post during the River Oder flood disaster on the German-Polish border

- 1999: Deputy Head of mission for the Humanitarian THW Aid for Refugees during the war in Kosovo

- 2000: Assessment and fact finding mission during flood disaster in Mozambique

- 2002: Member of an operational command and control post during the River Elbe flood disaster

Experience in disaster management (selection)

- Has held several positions in the Federal Agency for Technical and Disaster Relief (THW)

- Member (currently inactive) of the United Nations Disaster Assessment and Coordination standby team (UNDAC)

- Member of the Groß-Gerau county disaster management board

- THW консультант liaison officer

- Member of the THW special unit SEEBA (Rapid Deployment Unit Urban Search and Rescue)

Membership of associations

- Building, Agricultural and Environmental Workers' Union (IG Bau)

Further civic engagement

- Trebur society for home and history

- German Federation for Environment and Nature Conservation (BUND)

- Friends of Nature

- Groß-Gerau and Rüsselsheim branch of the THW association

- National Association for Workers' Welfare (AWO)

- D64 – Center for digital Progress