



### ***Curriculum vitae***

**Name** Viviane Reding

**Nationality** Luxembourger

**Personal details** Born on 27 April 1951 in Esch-sur-Alzette, Luxembourg  
Separated, three children

**Education** Doctor of human sciences, Sorbonne, Paris

**Professional career**  
1978-1999 Journalist, Luxemburger Wort

1986-1998 President, Luxembourg Union of Journalists

**Political career**  
1979-1989

**Member of Luxembourg Parliament**

- President of social committee
  - Member of the Office of the Chamber of Deputies
  - Member of the Assembly of Benelux Parliaments
  - Member of the North Atlantic Assembly
- (leader of Christian Democrat/Conservative group)

1981-1999 **Communal councillor, city of Esch-sur-Alzette (Luxembourg)**  
• President of Cultural Affairs Committee 1992-1999

1988-1993 **National president of Christian-Social Women (Luxembourg)**

1995-1999 **Vice-president, PCS (Parti Chrétien-Social) (Luxembourg)**

1989-1999 **Member of the European Parliament**  
• President of the Petitions Committee 1989-1992  
• Vice-president of Social Committee 1992-1994  
• Vice-president of Civil Liberties and Internal Affairs Committee 1997-1999  
• Head of Luxembourg delegation to EPP  
• Member of EPP group office

1999-2004 **Member of the European Commission**  
(Education, Culture, Youth, Media, Sport)

2004- **Member of the European Commission**  
(Information Society and Media)

***Prizes and distinctions***

1992 St George's Cross from the Generalitat of Catalunya

2001 Gold Medal of European Merit  
2004 Doctorate Honoris Causa from the Hu Chen University of Taiwan  
2004 Doctorate Honoris Causa from the University of Genoa  
2004 Robert Schuman Medal  
2004 Doctorate Honoris Causa from the University of Torino  
2004 Prince of Asturias International Cooperation Prize  
2005 Officer of the national of the French Legion of Honour  
2005 "Gloria Artis" Medal of Honor from Poland