



Ylva Johansson

Sweden (S&D)

Background

Ylva Johansson currently serves as the Minister of Employment in the Social Democratic Government and was chosen for her long years of ministerial experience. She previously served as Minister for Schools from 1994 to 1998 and as Minister for Welfare and Elderly Healthcare from 2004 to 2006. From 1992 to 1994 she worked as a teacher in mathematics/physics/chemistry. She also worked as a Senior Advisor at Telia Business Innovation from 1998-1999 and as a Deputy Managing Director and Managing Director, IT company Att Veta AB.

EU priorities

Mrs Johansson has a long experience in education and labour issues. She has said the labour market, climate and rule of law are the most important issues for the EU. She is passionate about gender equality but does not want to advance the EU Social Pillar.

Personal Insights

She has worked a lot on integration and immigration issues and is personally very interested in Gender issues.

Education

Ylva Johansson studied at Lund University and the Stockholm Institute of Education 1983-88 and 1991-92 and holds a Master of Science in Education.

Political Experience

National politics

In the 1988 general elections she was elected as a member of the Riksdag for the Left Party - Communists (VPK). She later left the party and joined the Social Democrats.

1994-1998: Minister for Schools

Ms Johansson has held ministerial posts for 11 years under three different prime ministers since 1994.

Minister for Employment 2019

Minister for Employment and Integration 2014–2019

Member of the Riksdag, Deputy Chair, Committee on
the Labour Market 2010–2014

Member of the Riksdag, Deputy Chair, Committee on
Health and Welfare 2006–2010

Minister for Health and Elderly Care 2004–2006

Other insights

She is known as a very thorough negotiator