

WHAT WILL THE GERMAN PRESIDENCY DELIVER ON CIRCULAR ECONOMY?



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Ms. Pietikäinen is a **Finnish member of the European People's Party in the European Parliament**. She is a former Minister of Environment (1991-1995). Her career at the Finnish parliament is extensive, from 1983 to 2003. At the European Parliament, she is a member of the ECON Committee and the Women's Right and Gender Equality Committee and a substitute in ENVI.



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Mr. Kurth is the **president of FEAD and BDE Germany**. He also serves as a member of BDI's Steering Committee. Previously, he held the position of State Secretary in the Senate Administration for Finance and became senator. From 2001 to 2006 he was a member of the Berlin House of Representatives.