

**Prof. Dr. Günter Krings, LL.M. (Temple)**  
**Member of the German Bundestag (CDU)**

Born 7 August 1969 in Mönchengladbach-Rheydt  
Protestant  
Profession: lawyer, specialist in public and constitutional law



**Position in the German Bundestag**

Vice chairman of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group  
Chairman of the CDU North Rhine-Westfalia state faction in the German Bundestag  
Member of the Bundestag since the 15th electoral term (2002 to present)

**Political Career**

Since 2025	Vice chairman of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group
Since 2017	Chairman of the CDU North Rhine-Westfalia state faction in the German Bundestag
Since 2014	Chairman of the Niederrhein district branch of the CDU
Since 2009	Chairman of the National Association of christian-democratic lawyers (BACDJ)
2021 - 2025	Spokesman of the CDU/CSU Parliamentary Group on Legal Affairs
2013 - 2021	Parliamentary State Secretary at the Ministry of the Interior (Homeland Security)
2011 - 2019	Vice chairman of the North-Rhine/Westphalia's Association of the Small and Medium Enterprises and Business Organization of the CDU
2010 - 2021	Chairman of the Mönchengladbach county branch of the CDU
2009-2013	Deputy Chairman of the CDU/CSU parliamentary group
2008-2009	Legal Advisor of the CDU/CSU parliamentary group
2006-2009	Chairman of the Sustainable Development Committee of the German Bundestag
2002-2005	Chairman of the Young Group of the CDU/CSU caucus (members of the Parliament under 35)
2002	first elected to the German Bundestag
1992 - 2003	Chairman of the Niederrhein district branch of the Youth Organization of the CDU
1989 - 1994	Chairman of the Wickrath branch of the Youth Organization of the CDU
Since 1989	Member of the Cultural Affairs Committee and the Personnel Committee of Mönchengladbach town council
Since 1985	Member of the CDU

## **Other Positions**

Since 2007	Chairman of the German Society on Legislation (DGG)
Since 2004	Board of the German American Lawyers Association (DAJV)

## **Employment / Academic positions**

Since 2010	Honorary Professor on Public and Constitutional Law at Cologne University (law faculty)
Since 2004	Temporary Lecturer on Public and Constitutional Law at Cologne University (law faculty)
Since 1998	registered lawyer at the Mönchengladbach Regional Court; 2013-2021 admission as lawyer was suspended
2001 - 2002	North-Rhine Westphalia University of Applied Administrative Sciences, (training of police officers)
1997 - 2002	Cologne School of Journalism (Institute of Journalism), Lecturer on public law
1998 to 2002	Academic employee at the Constitutional Law Institute of the University of Cologne (position comparable to a ,junior assistant professor')
1994/1998	Kienbaum Consultants, "Public Sector", Düsseldorf

## **University Studies**

2002	Completed PhD with thesis entitled "Grund und Grenzen grundrechtlicher Schutzansprüche" (basis and limits of claims to a constitutional duty to protect)
1995 - 1997	Period of practical legal training Second state examination in law
1994 – 1995	Studied US law and international law at Temple University, School of Law, Philadelphia (USA) Master of Laws (LLM) (Fulbright scholarship)
1989 -1994	Studied law at Cologne University; Scholarship from the Konrad Adenauer Foundation Completed first state examination in law (Cologne Higher Regional Court) Studied history at Cologne University (Stage I Studies)