

# Tarja Cronberg

## **Born**

June 29th, 1943 in Helsinki, Finland

## **Family status**

Widow (Erik Agger), 3 children and 7 grandchildren

## **Languages**

Finnish, Danish, Swedish, English, German, French and Russia

## **Expertise**

### *Theoretical fields*

Sociology of technology, military technology, border studies, technology assessment and theories of everyday life.

### *Policy fields*

Defence policies, civil/military relations, border policies, labour and employment, regional development, innovation and technology policy.

## **Education and degrees**

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| 1988 | D.Econ.<br>In sociology from the Institute for Organization and Industrial Sociology, Copenhagen School of Economics and Business Administration (dissertation: Technology in Everyday Life). |
| 1976 | Advanced course for planners<br>Nordic Institute of Urban Planning.   |
| 1973 | D.Tech.<br>In planning from Dept. of Architecture, Lund University (dissertation: User Requirements in Building).   |
| 1968 | M.Sc. in engineering<br>Institute of Chemical Engineering, Helsinki University of Technology.   |

## **Work Experience**

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| 2011-     | MEP, Member of European Parliament / Group of the Greens/EFA Chair, Delegation for relations with Iran (D-IR)<br>Member, Conference of Delegation Chairs<br>Member, Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET)<br>Member, Subcommittee on Security and Defence (SEDE)<br>Substitute, Delegation to the EU-Russia Parliamentary Cooperation Committee (D-RU)<br>Substitute, Delegation for relations with the NATO Parliamentary Assembly (DNAT) |
| 2009–2011 | Special Advisor to the Finnish Institute of International Affairs, FIIA (nuclear disarmament); Ministry of Education and Culture (creative economy); The University of Eastern Finland, UEF (forest/renewable energy); the City of Mikkeli (organic food)  |



- 2007–2009 Member of the Finnish Government, Minister of Labour, Ministry of Employment and the Economy (member of the government’s Ministerial Group on Foreign and Security Policy).
- 2003–2007 MP, Member of Finnish Parliament (Defence Committee, Foreign Relations Committee, Committee on Work and Equality).
- 2001–2003 Director of COPRI, Copenhagen Peace Research Institute, Center for Freds- og Conflictforskning (international relations, security studies, study of wars, conflict management).
- 1993–2001 Executive Director of the Regional Council of North Karelia, Finland (head administrator of the region, in charge of economic and social development, EU structural funds, cross-border co-operation with Russia, regional planning).

### **EU Activities**

- 2008– Member of the European Competitiveness Council.
- 2007– Member of the European Employment and Social Affairs Council.
- 1995–2001 Member of Management Boards for EU Structural Funds for Eastern Finland (Objective 6 and 1, Interreg Karelia). Member (and initiator) EU COST A 24 The Evolving Social Construction of Threats (Terrorism, new wars, private armies).
- 1998–2001 Member (and initiator) of EU COST A10 Defence Restructuring.
- 1999–2002 Member of the European Commissions Information Society Technologies Advisory Group (ISTAG).
- 1992–1997 Chairman of the Management Committee EU COST A4 Social Shaping of Technology.
- 1989–1994 Member of the COST Technical Committee on Social Sciences.
- 1993–1994 Member of the CREST Ad hoc Expert Group for the 4th Framework Programme.

### **NATO Activities**

NATO ad hoc Initiative on Risk Management, Danish representative, 2002.

NATO Military Conversion activities, Conference on Conversion, NATO headquarters. May 1993, Stavanger, May 1994, Budapest, 1994, Scotland, July 1995.

### **Security Policy**

- 2010– Member of the Finnish Government’s Committee on Total Security.
- 2007–2009 Member of the Finnish Government’s Ministerial Group on Foreign and Security Policy.
- 2003–2007 Member of the Finnish Parliament’s Committee on Defence.

### **Regional Management/Development**

- 2001–2003 Member of the Arctic Council.
- 1997–2000 Member of the State Finnish – Russian Development Committee to Near Area Co-operation.
- 1996–2001 Member of the Executive Committee for the European Association of Border Regions.