

Hans-Ulrich Klose

Member of the German Bundestag

Born on 14 June 1937 in Breslau

Attended high school in Bielefeld and in Clinton, Iowa, USA

1957 obtained *Abitur* (school-leaving certificate giving right of entry to university),
studied law in Freiburg and Hamburg

1965 passed second state examination

Public prosecutor

Assistant Ministerial Counsellor

1964 joined the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD)

1968 joined the Public Services and Transport Workers' Union

1970 Member of the Parliament of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg

1972 chairman of the SPD parliamentary group

1973 Senator of the Interior

1974 First Mayor of the Free and Hanseatic City of Hamburg

- founding of Hamburg Technical University
- establishment of senior citizens' advisory councils
- establishment of welfare centres
- establishment of an equal opportunities office
- switch from urban development policy for the city to urban development policy for specific districts of the city (renewal in small steps)

1981 resigned as First Mayor

1983 directly elected to the German Bundestag (constituency 18;
Hamburg-Harburg)

1987 treasurer of the Social Democratic Party of Germany

1991 - 1994 chairman of the SPD parliamentary group in the Bundestag

1994 - 1998 Vice-President of the German Bundestag

1998 - 2002 chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the German Bundestag

since Oct. 2002 vice chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs of the German Bundestag

since Jan. 2003 chairman of the German-American Parliamentary Group