

## Deutscher Bundestag

Member of the Committee on Foreign Affairs
Member of the Defense Committee
Member of the Subcommittee on the United Nations,
International Organizations and Globalization
Special Rapporteur on Transatlantic Relations and the Western Balkans



Peter Beyer MP was born on December 25, 1970, in Ratingen, Germany.

After finishing his Abitur in 1991, he completed his military service in Wuppertal. Beyer then studied law at the Universities of Düsseldorf and Bonn. In 1999, he finished his studies and was admitted to the bar.

Beyer began his legal career as an associate attorney for the US-headquartered firm of Mayer, Brown & Platt (today Mayer Brown). He also worked with Brinks, Hofer, Gilson & Lione in Chicago and Murchison & Cumming in Los Angeles.

In 2000 he enrolled in a post-graduate legal studies program at the University of Virginia School of Law in Charlottesville where he completed a Master of Laws in 2001.

Returning to Germany, Beyer practiced law at the BEYER Intellectual Property firm in Ratingen. There, he became one of the country's first officially-certified intellectual property specialists.

Beyer was directly elected as Mettmann CDU's top candidate for the federal elections in 2009 and 2013 to represent the citizens of Heiligenhaus, Ratingen, Velbert and Wülfrath.

A committed Atlanticist for many years, Beyer stands out among members of the parliament and his party as one of the most committed advocates of a strong transatlantic relationship with the United States and Canada. He serves as parliamentary Special Rapporteur on Transatlantic Relations for the Committee on Foreign Affairs. He is also active in the Atlantik-Brücke and in the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Auswärtige Politik, in addition to numerous organizations in his district.