



**Frauen Union**

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## **The Women's Union of North Rhine-Westphalia**

*Women's Union NRW is the women's organisation of the political party CDU (Christian democrats) in North Rhine-Westphalia. Since 60 years women get involved with politics. Shortly after the 2<sup>nd</sup> world war women have started to formulate their concepts of partnership and equal opportunities.*

*At a political level women in the CDU have sought to draw public attention to central problems in all areas of life and have brought answers and solutions into focus.*

*On behalf of many CDU women at a regional, national and European level many changes have been made, which are now considered to be common standard.*

*We are convinced that politics is not only a business for male members of society; women's experiences and knowledge are becoming even more important. Still existing gaps have to be closed.*

*A turning point in history is our first female chancellor, Dr. Angela Merkel, who is working very successfully in domestic issues and foreign affairs. We hope that her career will inspire and encourage more women to head for higher and highest positions. For sure it helps to stop prejudices against women in politics, career and society.*

*The Women's Union of CDU in NRW has about 42.000 members and is the biggest state association of CDU Women's Organisations in Germany. It is organised in 8 district, 54 regional and over 600 local associations. Since the CDU won the federal state election in 2005, the chairwoman of the woman's union, Regina van Dinther, is also president of the North Rhine-Westphalian State Parliament.*

*We offer our members political workshops and active cooperation in working teams at the federal state level. Politics is subsidiary organised in CDU associations at local and regional levels.*

*Women who want to get involved in can join our mentoring programme which supports women in their political acting and work.*

*More informations about us and the various possibilities to join in and work with us can be found on [www.fu-nrw.de](http://www.fu-nrw.de)*

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The logo for the CDU (Christian Democratic Union) features the letters 'CDU' in a bold, red, sans-serif font, set against a light grey rectangular background.

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