



Helle Thorning-Schmidt

Born: 1966
Gender: Female
Nationality: Danish
Resident: United Kingdom
Position: Professional board member

Vestas Wind Systems A/S

Positions:

Member of the Board since 2019. Most recently in 2024 for a term of one year.

Member of the Nomination & Compensation Committee since 2019.

Independent:

Independent from the company and management as well as major shareholders.

Considered independent under the Danish Corporate Governance Recommendations.

Special competencies essential to Vestas:

In-depth knowledge of governmental affairs and political environments as well as strategic management of international and political organisations. Knowledge in social and diversity matters, and human capital management.

Positions and management duties in unlisted companies and other organisations

Co-Chair of The Meta Oversight Board. Member of the boards of Neurons Inc. ApS, Daniel J. Edelman Holding, Inc., SafeLane Global Ltd., Carsoe Group A/S and Schwab Foundation for Social Entrepreneurship. Member of Vista Advisory Board, foreign policy think tanks, including the US Council of Foreign Relations, the European Council for Foreign Relations, and the Atlantic Council International Advisory Board. Member of the Berggruen 21st Century Council. Chair of the Danish Football Union (DBU)'s Governance and Development Committee.

Competencies

Education:

1992-1993 Master's Degree in European Studies from the College of Europe in Bruges
1987-1994 Master's Degree in Political Science from the University of Copenhagen

Former positions:

2016-2019 Chief Executive, Save the Children International
2011-2015 Prime Minister of Denmark
2005-2015 Member of Danish Parliament and leader of the Social Democratic Party
1999-2004 Member of the European Parliament