



**Dora Bakoyannis**  
**Minister of Foreign Affairs of Greece**



**Professional career:**

January 2009: Chairperson-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE).

September 2007: re-appointed Minister of Foreign Affairs in the government of New Democracy.

September 2007: re-elected Member of Parliament for the New Democracy party in the Athens 1st electoral district, coming first in votes.

September 2006: Greece held the Presidency of the Security Council of the United Nations.

February 2006: first female Minister of Foreign Affairs of Greece in the government of New Democracy.

October 2002: Athens's first female mayor winning by a majority of 60.6%, greater than any Athens mayor in history.

May 2000: appointed Shadow Foreign and Defence Minister; after being appointed as party representative for development by party leader Costa Karamanlis.

April, 2000: re-elected Member of Parliament for the New Democracy party in the Athens 1st electoral district coming first in votes.

March 1997: re-elected in the Central Committee of the New Democracy party, and twice elected chairperson of the party's Executive Committee.

September 1996: elected Member of Parliament for the New Democracy party in the Athens's 1st electoral district, coming first in votes.

April 1994: elected by the New Democracy party's 3rd Congress to the party's Central Committee.

October 1993: re-elected New Democracy Member of Parliament for Evrytania.

December 1992: appointed Minister for Culture in the government of New Democracy.

September 1991 and August 1992: served in the General Secretariat of International Affairs for New Democracy, and represented the party in the European Democratic Union (EDU) and International Democratic Union (IDU).

October 1990: appointed Under-Secretary of State in the government of New Democracy.

April 1990: re-elected New Democracy Member of Parliament for Evrytania.

November 1989: elected as New Democracy Member of Parliament for Evrytania, the constituency of her late husband, Pavlos Bakoyannis, after his assassination.

1984 -1989: served as Chief of Staff for the New Democracy party leader Kostantinos Mitsotakis.

1977: entered the Ministry of Economic Coordination working for the Department of European Economic Community (EEC) affairs.

**Awards:**

2008, 2007, and 2006: included in the Forbes annual list of the Worlds Most Powerful Women for three consecutive years.

2008: awarded the Emperor Maximilian Award-European Award for Regional Policy and Local Government by the province of Tyrol and the city of Innsbruck.

December 2005: voted World Mayor in the annual international competition organised by the London-based City Mayors organisation out of the 550 Mayors from around the world nominated for the title.

2003: joined a group of 12 high-level independent figures, upon the invitation of Romano Prodi to contribute proposals on the social character, cultural identity and economic future of the new Europe as a member of a prestigious round-table conference.

June 1993: recognised by the 14th International Symposium Fontana di Roma for her valuable contribution to culture.

March 1992: awarded the International Leadership Award by the International Centre for Women.

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