



Vice-Chancellor and Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Climate Protection (2021–2025)
Federal Chairman of Bündnis 90/Die Grünen (2018–2022)

Robert Habeck has helped shape German politics during a period of profound economic and social transformation. As Vice Chancellor and Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Climate Action, he faced the challenge of addressing the energy crisis, economic transformation, and climate policy simultaneously. He combines political leadership responsibility with a background in the humanities, making him one of the most distinctive voices in public discourse.

From 2021 to 2025, Dr. Robert Habeck served as Vice Chancellor and Federal Minister for Economic Affairs and Climate Action. Prior to that, he was co-chair of Bündnis 90/The Greens as well as, for many years, a minister and Deputy Minister-President of Schleswig-Holstein. In his political work, he engaged intensively with questions of transformation, responsibility, and social cohesion. Today, he also applies his expertise outside of politics: in August 2026, he became a Senior Advisor at the Danish investment firm Urban Partners, which advances sustainable urban development projects across Europe.

Habeck was born in Lübeck in 1969. He studied philosophy, German studies, and philology in Freiburg, Hamburg, and Roskilde in Denmark, and earned his doctorate in philosophy in 2000. For over a decade, he worked as a freelance writer together with his wife Andrea Paluch. He entered politics in 2002 and, just a few years later, assumed responsibility as state party chair, parliamentary group leader, and eventually as a minister. Whether energy transition, environment, agriculture, or digitalization, Habeck stood for a style of politics that seeks to think things together. He aimed not only to regulate, but also to create opportunities. In his speeches and public appearances, he did not focus on simple answers, but on comprehensible solutions. He remained true to this approach as a federal minister. Amid global crises, economic uncertainty, and social tensions, he sought to shape politics as a process of collaboration.

As a speaker, Robert Habeck brings this same attitude to the stage. With a clear compass and a willingness to engage in dialogue, he does not speak about ready-made truths, but about experience. Those who listen to him do not encounter slogans, but an invitation to reflect and the impulse to see themselves as part of the solution.

Topics (Selection):

- How do we achieve the transition to green technologies?
- The use of future technologies and their significance for Germany, Europe, and the world
- Endangered orders - the interconnections between climate, war, and global security
- Polarization and democracy
- Democracies under pressure - why and what can be done?