

Profile

Lena Ek

Chair of the Board

Forest-based Sector Technology Platform (FTP)



Lena Ek takes over as Chairperson of the FTP Board on April 2016. In this position she will chair the only European Technology Platform (ETP) for the forest-based sector.

Currently serving as Special Representative of the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Chairperson of the Board of the forestry company Södra Skogsägarna, Lena Ek is a Swedish national who has built a famous career as politician and public affairs professional.

Lena was engaged with political activities in her home city shortly after having started a career as researcher and lecturer in International Law at the Lund University, in Sweden. From 1993 to 1998 she accumulated many roles serving as District Chair of the Center Party in Östergötland, Member of the Östergötland County Council, Municipal Commissioner of Valdemarsvik and Chair of the Centre Party Women Association.

Lena Ek is well-known for her work as Member of the European Parliament (MEP), serving in Brussels during two Parliamentary terms from 2004 to 2011. As a Member of the Swedish Parliament from 2014 to 2015 and Minister of the Environment of Sweden from 2011 to 2014, she played other prominent roles at the board of several renowned political, scientific and industrial organisations such as the Confederation of Swedish Enterprise (2006-2009), Swedish Brain Power, EXSELENT Porous Materials and Södra Gapro AB (2007-2009), Stockholm Environment Institute (2008-2011) and Royal Institute of Technology (2009-2011). Lena Ek holds an honorary doctorate degree in Law from Lund Technical University. **//FTP**

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