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Marisol TOURAINE



She is married to a diplomat. They have three children aged 21 years, 19 years and 17 years.

A member of the Socialist Party responsible for social protection, she has drawn up and defended socialist positions on social security, health, pensions. At the National Assembly, she is part of the Social Affairs commission and is Vice-President of the socialist group responsible for these subjects.

She became involved in politics because she had always been interested in public debate and wanted to offer her contribution. After graduating (Ecole Normale Supérieure, aggregation qualification in economic and social sciences, Sciences Po Paris), she started working on international issues and defence. No doubt, having a Chilean mother stimulated her interest in the world and other cultures.

She became part of Michel Rocard's team as a technical adviser when he was Prime Minister (1988-1991). This experience encouraged her to become more directly and more personally involved, and led her to

stand for the legislative elections in 1997, where she was elected for the very first time.

Professionally, she is a member of the Council of State, but has not practised this profession since becoming a Member of Parliament. Moreover, Councillor in the 3rd constituency, stretching from Saint-Pierre-des-Corps to Tournon Saint-Pierre, including Montbazon, Loches, she has been a Member of Parliament for the Indre-et-Loire department since 2007, after having already occupied the position a first time between 1997 and 2002.

She has been the County Councillor for the canton of Montbazon since 1998. When the Left took control of the Departmental Council of Indre-et-Loire in the 2008 elections, she was appointed Vice-President for Integration, Prevention and Youth Issues. In the 2011 cantonal elections, she was re-elected County Councillor and became President of the Departmental Assembly.

She devotes her free time to reading and theatre; she enjoys a wide range of music and attends the opera as often as possible. When it comes to holidays, she shares her time between Vézelay in Burgundy and Ile d'Yeu, where she spends time cycling and enjoying a summertime pace of life.