



Carin Jämtin is Director-General of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida) since May 2017.

Ms. Jämtin has a long political career within the Social Democratic Party at both national and local level. Democracy and human rights have always been the heart of Ms. Jämtin.

1999-2003 Ms. Jämtin headed the International Development Cooperation Department at the Olof Palme International Centre - the umbrella organization for the Swedish labor movement working in the spirit of Olof Palme for democracy, human rights and peace.

In 2003 Ms. Jämtin was appointed Minister of International Development Cooperation by Prime Minister Göran Persson. During her first year as Minister the Swedish Parliament unanimously decided on a new long-term development policy which aimed to contribute to equitable and sustainable global development. Furthermore, Ms. Jämtin was responsible for Sweden's emergency assistance after the Tsunami 2004 as well as after the earthquake in Pakistan in October 2005. Parts of 2006 Ms. Jämtin served as Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs.

In spring 2006 Ms. Jämtin was appointed to the World Bank's Commission on Growth and Development, consisting of 20 leading politicians, business executives and academics and led by Nobel Prize winner Michael Spence. The purpose of the Commission was to broaden and deepen the understanding of sustainable economic growth as part of poverty alleviation.

Between 2006 and 2011 Ms. Jämtin was Vice Chair of the Stockholm City Council. She was also leader of the Social Democratic Group in the City Council and a member of the Board of Swedish Association of Local Authorities and Regions (SALAR).

As Secretary General of the Social Democratic Party, 2011-2016, Ms. Jämtin initiated a long-term policy and organizational development process. She also headed the election campaign which resulted in a change of government in 2014. Finally, Ms. Jämtin developed the Social Democrat's educational activities for future leaders within the workers' movement.

Ms. Jämtin has studied public administration at Stockholm University.