

Dominic Martin

Candidate for Federal Council

Why I Am Standing

As a lifelong liberal, a former UK diplomat, and our 2024 Parliamentary Candidate in East Hampshire, I know the value of **scrutiny, accountability and teamwork**.

My work as a Trustee of Transparency International UK, the country's leading anti-corruption NGO, has reinforced my **deep commitment to openness and accountability**.

I want to bring that same focus to Federal Council — making sure that the Federal Board's decisions are **transparent, in line with what members have agreed, and always accountable to us**.

I will bring my experience - from decades in public service, to leading a local party, to campaigning on the doorstep day after day - to make Federal Council a **strong, independent and constructive voice** for members.



A Federal Council That Works for Members

Priority	What I'll Do
Transparency	Press for clear reporting on how Conference decisions are being implemented.
Members' Voice	Speak up for candidates and campaigners — making sure their experiences shape national strategy.
Diversity & Inclusion	Champion measures to broaden participation, mentor under-represented groups, and ensure accessibility.
Value for Money	Scrutinise major resource and campaign decisions for efficiency and impact.
Winning Elections	Ensure national strategy supports local campaigning, drawing on my own record of thousands of doorstep conversations.

Why Me?



- **Voice of the Campaigner:** As someone who has personally knocked on over 12,000 doors in the last two years, I will ensure the perspectives of candidates and the thousands of activists knocking on doors are heard at the top of the party. I know from personal experience that it's their hard work that turns strategy into success.
- **Rebuilder and Motivator:** As Chair of Islington Lib Dems during a challenging period, I understand the challenges many parties face in motivating members and activists in areas where electoral prospects are less promising.
- **Experienced in Governance:** At Transparency International UK and within our party, I understand how to hold leadership to account without undermining it.
- **Committed Liberal:** My career has been dedicated to public service, climate action, democracy, and fairness.

About Me

- **Former UK Diplomat (1987–2014):** Served in India, Argentina, the US, and as Ambassador to the OECD in Paris. Specialist in international economy, climate change, and conflict resolution.
- **Energy & Low-Carbon Expert (2014–2024):** Led work on decarbonising UK industry at Equinor UK.
- **Transparency International UK (2018–present):** Trustee of the UK's leading anti-corruption NGO.
- **Liberal Democrat Roles:**
 - *Chair, Islington Liberal Democrats (2021–2023):* Oversaw the production of a new local party development plan, with a strong focus on diversity, following a succession of electoral setbacks, hopefully laying the foundation for future success.
 - *Member, Federal Policy Working Groups on the Economy and International Security (since 2025):* contributing to national policy development.
- **2024 General Election Candidate for East Hampshire:** Reduced a 20,200 Conservative majority to just 1,275 (a 17.4% swing) – one of the strongest results in the country for a non-target/Moving Forward seat, while also campaigning in neighbouring target seats.

Together, we can build on the successes of 2024 and go further.

Please give me your vote for Federal Council.

Any questions? Contact me on dominic4easthants@gmail.com