

Carola Schouten

Minister of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality, Deputy Prime Minister

Education

1989-1995: Secondary education, Altena College, Sleaford

2000: Business administration, Tel Aviv University

1995-2006: Business administration, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Career

Carola Schouten began her career in 2000 at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment, where she held various positions including policy officer for work and income.

In late 2006 Ms Schouten became a policy officer for the parliamentary party of the Christian Union. She worked as a policy coordinator and senior policy officer for finance and social affairs.

On 18 May 2011 Ms Schouten became a member of parliament for the Christian Union, focusing on a range of issues, including financial and economic affairs, social affairs, employment and pensions, higher education and housing.

On 26 October 2017 Carola Schouten was appointed Minister of Agriculture, Nature and Food Quality and Deputy Prime Minister in the third Rutte government.