

Curriculum Vitae

Khadija Arib (PvdA)

Speaker of the House of Representatives of the States General

Personal details

First name: Khadija
Surname: Arib
Date of birth: 10 October 1960
Place of birth: Hedami, Morocco
Nationality: Dutch

Khadija Arib has three children and lives in Amsterdam.

Career

Khadija Arib has been the Speaker of the House of Representatives of the States General since 13 January 2016. She has been a member of the House of Representatives (Dutch Labour Party/PvdA) since 19 May 1998, with a brief three-month interruption in 2006/2007. As an MP, Arib was a member of the standing committee on Public Health, Welfare and Sport and the committee on Security and Justice, in the latter role as vice-chair from 2007 to 2010. Arib's main areas of focus were human trafficking, sexual offence legislation, healthcare and issues of medical ethics. In 2001, she put forward a private member's bill for the establishment of a children's ombudsman; this bill was passed by the Dutch Senate in 2010.

Arib has been a permanent member of the Presidium, the executive board of the House of Representatives, since 2012, before which she spent two years as an acting member. Since 13 January, she has been a member of both the Presidium and the Procedure Committee. In her role as MP, Arib has also been a member of the Council of Europe's Parliamentary Assembly and the Union for the Mediterranean and has chaired the Parliamentary Contact Group on France.

Before entering parliament, Arib held various positions, including senior policy officer and acting head of the social care sector at the City of Amsterdam (1992/1998), researcher at Erasmus University Rotterdam (1992/1995), women's emancipation and minority policy coordinator at the City of Amsterdam (1988/1992), lecturer in methodology development at Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences (1987/1991) and coordinator of an employment project for ethnic minority women in social services at the Ministry of Social Affairs and Employment (1984/1987). Arib started her career as a social worker; initially at the Central Netherlands Foundation for Foreign Employees (*Stichting Buitenlandse Werknemers Midden-Nederland*) in

Utrecht (1978/1979) and later at the Medical Education Agency (*Medisch Opvoedkundig Bureau*) – now known as Riagg – in Amsterdam (1982/1983).

Education

After completing an advanced training course in Social Work, Khadija Arib went on to study Social Work at Amsterdam's Social Academy, now part of Amsterdam University of Applied Sciences. In 1995, she graduated in Sociology at the University of Amsterdam.

Publications

- 2011 Arib. K, 'Allah heeft ons zo gemaakt, liefde tussen vrouwen' (Allah made us this way, love between women). Amsterdam: Uitgeverij Balans
- 2009 Arib. K, 'Couscous op Zondag, een familiegeschiedenis' (Couscous on Sunday, a family history). Amsterdam: Uitgeverij Balans
- 1995 Wit M. de, Arib. K (editorial team member), 'Politieke Vernieuwing en Sekse' (Political Renewal and Gender). Amsterdam: Instituut voor Publiek en Politiek
- 1992 Arib. K, Rijmers. E, 'Marokkaanse Vrouwen in Nederland' (Moroccan Women in the Netherlands). Leiden: Stichting Burgerschapskunde, Nederlands Centrum voor Politieke Vorming