

**Tarja Cronberg**

(1943) holds Ph.D. degrees in technology and business administration. She has long exercised political leadership in Europe's networked society. Currently a member of the European Parliament she was a Member of the Finnish Parliament from 2003 to 2007 and a former Minister of Labor. She chaired the Green League party from 2005 to 2009 and served on several parliamentary committees (foreign affairs, security and defense, employment).

Tarja Cronberg knows about and has taken an interest in libraries as well. She was president of the *Finnish Library Association* from 2004 to 2007. She has always taken a great interest in development of the Information and Knowledge Society, where Finland is well known for its strong approach.

Among a lot of other things TC contributed to the report 'Towards a Networked Finland' (2005). And before that she was a member of the Danish Parliament Technology Council (1986-1991); of the Norwegian Research Council dealing with IT and society (1984-1992).

She was a member of the European Commission Information Society Technologies Advisory Group (ISTAG) from 1999 to 2002; chaired the EU COSTA4 Group that examined the relationship between technology and society (1992-1997) and contributed to the VALUE think-tank that focused on the interaction between research and society (1993-1994).