

Nigel Farage

Controversial politician and former leader of the UK Independence Party

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About

Unlike most politicians, Nigel Farage had a successful career in business before he stood for political office. He gave up that career not to feather his own nest, but to campaign for a cause in which he believed.

As former leader of the UK Independence Party (UKIP), Nigel Farage spearheaded the UK's Brexit movement and departure from the European Union and has been described as "*the most important British politician of the last decade and the most successful*". He served his constituents in opposing the encroachment of the European Union into British public life from 1999 and, apart for a brief break in 2010, was leader of the UK Independence Party from 2006-2016.

Nigel Farage is also the co-president of the Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy group in the European Parliament. He offered to resign following defeat in the 2015 General Election but this was rejected by the party, with the Chairman commenting that the party's "*election campaign had been a great success*" and so he remained leader.

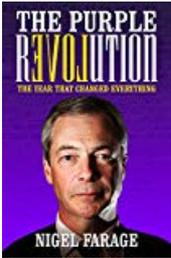
Upon leaving school in 1982, Nigel Farage followed in his father's footsteps going into the city of London as a commodities trader at the London Metal Exchange. He moved through a succession of trading companies until 2003, all the while maintaining an avid interest in politics that stemmed from his childhood. An active Conservative throughout his latter school days, Nigel stayed loyal to the party until 1992 when John Major's government signed the Treaty on the European Union at Maastricht. In 1993 he became a founding member of UKIP.

Nigel Farage was elected to the European Parliament in 1999 and re-elected in 2004, 2009 and 2014. In 2006, he became the UKIP Leader and led the party through the 2009 European Parliament Election when it won the second-highest share of the popular vote, defeating Labour and the Liberal Democrats with over two million votes. Nigel has been a strong critic of the Euro, the EU's single currency, and has been noted for his controversial speeches in the European Parliament.

Driven to succeed, he seized the moment to lead the political revolution of the British people to an unprecedented and widely unexpected result in June 2016 when the majority of British voters chose to leave the European Union, in what became known as Brexit.

Through skill, sheer determination and more than a little chutzpah, Nigel Farage has transformed UKIP into a permanent fixture of our democracy, achieved his lifetime's ambition of an independent Britain, and rocked the political Establishment across an entire continent. The history of not just the United Kingdom but of Europe and the world is changed because of him, and his place within it is etched in stone.

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