

SCHROEDER RESIGNS AS PRESIDENT OF THE SPD

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EPP President Martens described the resignation of the German Chancellor Gerhard Schroder as President of his Party as "the beginning of the end of the German Government".

Martens: "Schroder is not credible as a chancellor anymore. How can he lead the country if he doesnot even have the backing of his own party? He is responsible for Germany's economic decline and the high unemployment. Germany needs a new government as soon as possible in order to end the incapability of the government to reform the country and the economy."

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