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**Ambassador (ret)**

**Diplomacy – Politics – Business**  
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**Born July 10, 1948, at Saarbrücken-Dudweiler, Germany**

**Studies of Law, Economics and Politics at the University of Saarbrücken, research assistant at the same university. Studies at the French National School of Administration (ENA) in Paris (1974-75). Second state examination in law (1976)**

**1976: Entry into the Federal Foreign Office, posted to Algiers (1978-81) and Brussels (Permanent Representation to the European Communities –1981-85). Advisor in the private office of the Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hans-Dietrich Genscher (1985-87)**

**Head of the European Policy Department at the Federal Chancellor's Office, European Affairs Advisor to Federal Chancellor Helmut Kohl (1987-93); European, Foreign and Security Policy Advisor to Federal Chancellor Helmut Kohl (1993-98)**

**Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Federal Republic of Germany on the North Atlantic Council Brussels (1998-99), Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Kingdom of Spain and the Principality of Andorra (1999-2002)**

**Executive Vice President International Affairs Veolia Environnement Paris (2003-2012), Chairman Veolia Environnement Germany, Berlin (2009-2012)**

**Specific Mandates – Membership in boards, in particular:**

*Presidential Board DEKRA e.V., Stuttgart – Germany,*

*Senior Advisor Cranemere, Frankfurt/London/New York*

*Board of Administration of HESAM Paris (Pôle de recherche et d'enseignement supérieur "Hautes Etudes-Sorbonne-Arts et Métiers"),*

*Board of Administration Ecole Nationale d'Administration ENA, Paris/Strasbourg,*

*Managing Committee Commission “Europe” of MEDEF Paris,*

*Vice-President think tank “Notre Europe - Institut Jacques Delors”, Paris;*

*Board of Trustees of « Friends of Europe » Brussels*

*Advisory Board “Institut du Bosphore”, Paris/Istanbul*

*Advisory Board of the Franco-German Business Club (CEFA), Paris*

*Vice-President Franco-German Business Club, Berlin*

*Advisory Board Instituto Universitario de Estudios Europeos, Universidad San Pablo CEU, Madrid*

*Think Tank “People for Global Transformation” (Co-Founder Sam Pitroda and Hubert Védrine), New Delhi/India*

*Advisory Board of two start-ups in France (Emulsar) and in Munich/Washington (FairObserver)*

*Co-Chairman and Co-Founder “Club Rhéna” Paris (together with Jean-Dominique Giuliani)*

*Professor at the Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris (ESCP Europe)*

*Former mandates :*

*Board of Administration Veolia Environmental Services (2003 - 2012) and Veolia Transport Paris (2003 - 2011)*

*Supervisory Board EnBW AG – Energie Baden-Württemberg – Karlsruhe/Stuttgart (2003 – 2008)*

*Board of Administration of MEDEF International Paris, Vice-President of the Committee France-China (2003-2012)*

*Comprehensive experience and network capabilities in economic and public affairs in Europe and at the international level, continuously built up since more than 25 years; particular expertise in the field of European and transatlantic affairs, with regard to Russia, the Middle East, Asia and to other emerging markets*

*Member of different German, French and International Associations (among them Le Siècle Paris, Confrontations Europe Paris; Wirtschaftsrat Berlin, DGAP Berlin (German Society for Foreign Policy); Atlantik Brücke Berlin; IISS London, Euro 50, Bretton Woods C'tee; TPN – Transatlantic Policy Network, Brussels/Washington DC; IERI Brussels; Boao-Forum, China);*

*Member of Rotary (RC Paris Concorde)*

*Regular conferences and publications, in particular in the field of international and European Policy (among others "Europa – mission impossible?" Düsseldorf and Paris 2005; Co-author of "EU- Treaties – Legal Commentary", edited by Prof. Dr. Carl-Otto Lenz, and Prof. Dr Klaus-Dieter Borchardt – from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> ed. Cologne 2012; co-author (since 2007) of the Yearbook on the "state of the (European) Union" edited by the Schuman-Foundation, Paris.*