

CURRICULUM VITAE

DR. JUR. ASTRID SKALA-KUHLMANN

Expert in emerging markets with focus on China

WORK EXPERIENCE (current)

Senior advisor, Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Berlin, Germany, focus on China portfolio, Belt and Road Initiative, G20 process

Co-chair G20/T20 Task Force Migration on behalf of GIZ

Co-dean Sino German Young Professional Campus, Mercator Foundation, BMW Foundation

2012–2015: director department global partnerships/emerging economies (China, India, Brazil, Mexico, Indonesia, etc.), **GIZ**, Berlin, Germany

2005–2011: country director, Beijing, P.R. China

chief representative of GIZ in People's Republic of China; annual turnover of around €40 million; management responsibility for up to 200 individuals

1996–2005

2000–2004: special advisor to German Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection (BMELV), United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), International Union of Conservation of Nature (IUCN), and Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

1996–2001: consultant, sector programme international forest programmes, Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

1992–1996: family care

1985–1992: Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

1989–1992: head of regional office, Indonesia, Malaysia, and Singapore

Key responsibilities: managing country programmes with annual operational budget totalling around €20 million; management responsibility for up to 50 experts sent on assignment

1987–1988: programme manager for rural development/sustainable-livelihood programmes in Egypt, Jordan, and Yemen

1986–1987: legal advisor, GIZ office, Jakarta, Indonesia

1985–1986: assistant to board of directors GIZ, Eschborn, Germany

1982–1985: attorney at law, law firm White&Case (former Feddersen, Laule & Partner), Frankfurt, Germany

1979–1981: clerk and other duties, Supreme Court, Hamburg, Germany

Law office Gündisch und Partner; sent on assignment to Sargent, Röhm and Van Heemstra , New York as part of bar exam education

EDUCATION

- 1982: passed second German state law exam, Hamburg (mark: with distinction)
 - 1981: doctorate, Dr. jur. (mark: magna cum laude), University of Göttingen, Germany
International Standards for Environmental Protection
 - 1977: passed first German state law exam (mark: excellent)
 - 1972–1977: law school, University of Göttingen
 - 1976–1978: junior research assistant, institute for international law, Göttingen
 - 1973–1974: study year abroad, University of Geneva, Switzerland
 - 1972: baccalaureate (mark: 1.7), Kaethe-Kollwitz-Gymnasium (grammar school), Hannover, Germany
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FELLOWSHIPS/MEMBERSHIPS

- Member, Toennissteiner Kreis; asia-network
 - Alumni Konrad-Adenauer-Foundation, Member of Chinanetwork
 - German-Chinese Friendship Association
 - Young-leaders alumni, Atlantik Brücke (Atlantic Bridge)
 - 1984: Harvard workshop on international politics as fellow of Draeger Foundation
 - 1980: DAAD (German academic exchange service) research fellowship, Columbia University, New York, United States
 - 1979: Columbia Amsterdam programme on US law, DAAD
 - 1978–1979: postgraduate fellowship, Konrad Adenauer Foundation
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BOARD DUTY

Since 2012 supervisory board member, Lenzing AG, Austria;
Since 2014 supervisory board member, Semperit AG, Austria