Short CVs of candidates nominated for the Supervisory Board of Aareal Bank AG

Dr Hans Werner Rhein

Independent lawyer

Dr Hans Werner Rhein was born in 1952. He has been practising law in his own law firm since 2011 and since 2006, has been a lecturer for reinsurance law in the JurGrad (LL.M programme) at the University of Münster (Westfälische Wilhems-Universität Münster). Dr Rhein commenced his career in 1982 at Jauch & Hübener and in 1994 joined the management of its legal successor Aon Jauch & Hübener, where he worked as Managing Director from 1998 to 2011.

Dr Hans Werner Rhein had studied law, economics and psychology at the University of Hamburg and the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg. After both law exams under the German system he gained his doctorate in law in 1980 in Hamburg. He was in Miami from 1979 to 1980 and did a Master's in Comparative Law there. In 1982 he was admitted to the bar in Hamburg.

He also discharges various honorary offices, e.g. in the Working Group of Protestant Businessmen (Arbeitskreis Evangelischer Unternehmer): Board of Trustees; Spokesman of the regional group for Hamburg and Schleswig-Holstein or as Chairman of the Müller-Mathieu Foundation.

Prof Dr Stephan Schüller

Spokesman of the general partners of Bankhaus Lampe KG

Prof Dr Stephan Schüller was born in 1952 and since 2006 has been Spokesman of the general partners of Bankhaus Lampe KG. From 1984 to 2003 Prof Dr Schüller worked for the HypoVereinsbank Group. Among other things, he was Member of the Management Board at Bayerische Vereinsbank AG, HypoVereinsbank AG and, most recently, Spokesman for the Management Board of Vereins- und Westbank AG. From 2003 to 2005 Prof Dr Schüller was Managing Partner of a private equity firm. Prof Dr Schüller gained his diploma in Business Administration after studying the subject at the Westfälische Wilhelms-Universität in Münster. He also gained his doctorate in that faculty. He is a contract lecturer in banking at the Mercator School of Management of the University Duisburg-Essen.

Sylvia Seignette

Former Managing Director Crédit Agricole Deutschland

Sylvia Seignette was born in Leipzig in 1950. Until 2013 Ms Seignette was at Crédit Agricole Corporate and Investment Banking as Managing Director for banking in Germany and Austria, and had had that position since 2005. As from 2007 she had also been Group Senior Country Officer for the entire Crédit Agricole Group in Germany, consisting of eight companies: Amundi, CA CIB, CA-CI, Cheuvreux, CACEIS Bank Deutschland, Credit Plus Bank AG, Eurofactor AG and Newedge. Prior, she had worked until 2005 at the Bank of America as Managing Director for Germany, Switzerland and Austria and as Head of Corporate and Investment Banking for German-speaking areas with the focus on mergers and acquisitions, equity and equity-linked and leasing and structured finance.

Until 2002 Sylvia Seignette was Member of the Management Board at JP Morgan AG and its predecessor banks, Chase Manhattan Bank AG and Chemical Bank AG.

From 1978 to 1988 she worked in various business units of the bank. After being appointed to the Management Board she was responsible from 1989 for corporate customers in Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Italy and as from 1994, the bank's foreign business. In 1998 she took on the management of the corporate customers and investment banking divisions.

From 1973 to 1978 Ms Seignette worked at the Bank of Nova Scotia as Deputy Head of the Credit department, and from 1971 to 1973 as trainee at Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. She had started her career in 1969 at Hessische Landesbank. Sylvia Seignette is a certified banker and holds a diploma in wholesale and foreign trades.

Elisabeth Stheeman

Former global COO and member of the worldwide management committee of LaSalle Investment Management.

Elisabeth Stheeman was born in 1964 in Hamburg. Until 2014 she was global COO and member of the Global Management Committee of LaSalle Investment Management and member of the worldwide Operating Committee of Jones Lang LaSalle (JLL).

Prior, Ms Stheeman had had various positions from 1988 to 2012 at Morgan Stanley. Her last position at Morgan Stanley was COO in the Investment Banking Division, in Real Estate and Natural Resources with responsibility for Strategy / M&A, Finance and Operations, Legal and Compliance and Tax und Human Resources. In 2003 Elisabeth Stheeman became Executive Director / COO of the Financial Institutions Group. In 2002 she was appointed Executive Director of the Media & Communications Group. From 1996 to 2001 she was responsible for Financing Services Group and Financial Sponsors Group as Vice President. Elisabeth Stheeman began as analyst and later as associate in corporate finance, private equity and equity capital markets. She had commenced her career in 1982 at Vereins- und Westbank AG in Hamburg.

Since September 2014, Elisabeth Stheeman has been member of the Supervisory Board and of the Audit Committee of TLG Immobilien AG in Berlin. Recently, she was appointed to the Supervisory Board of Redefine International PLC, the real estate investment trust. The corporation is listed on the London Stock Exchange (FTSE 250).

Elisabeth Stheeman had studied Business Administration at the Hamburg School of Business (Wirtschaftsakademie Hamburg) and then obtained a diploma in Business Studies at the London School of Economics.

Dietrich Voigtländer

Former Chairman of the Managing Board at Portigon AG and Portigon Financial Services GmbH

Dietrich Voigtländer was born in Hildesheim in 1958. From 2009 to 2014 he was Chairman of the Managing Board at Portigon AG, the legal successor to WestLB AG. At West LB AG he first worked from 2008 as Deputy Chairman of the Managing Board and became temporary Chairman of the Managing Board in 2009. Until 2008 Dietrich Voigtländer was Member of the Board of Managing Directors at DZ Bank AG and its predecessor banks, GZ Bank and SGZ Bank AG. He commenced his career at SGZ Bank AG in 1985 and took on various management and project management tasks at home and abroad.

Closely associated with him are the development of the bwsbank and the subsequent merger of bwsbank and WPS-Bank into dwpbank Deutsche Wertpapier-Servicebank AG in 2003 and the cross-border mergers that led to establishing Equens SE as one of the market leaders in the European payment transactions market. Furthermore, he is acting as entrepreneur and consultant in the area of innovation and transformation management.

Dietrich Voigtländer studied Business Administration and Engineering from 1978-1983 at the Technical University of Karlsruhe, specialising in Assembly.

Prof Dr Hermann Wagner

Professor at the Frankfurt School of Finance and Management German Public Auditor and tax advisor

Hermann Wagner was born in Mainz in 1956. He began his career in 1983 as audit assistant in bank auditing at Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. In 1986 he passed his exams as tax advisor and in 1990, as German public auditor. In 1992 Prof Dr Wagner became partner and Managing Director at KPMG Peat, Marwick Treuhand GmbH and in 1993, he became partner at KPMG Deutsche Treuhand-Gesellschaft AG after the merger. In 1998 he became Branch Manager in Frankfurt and moved in 1999 to Arthur Andersen as Regional Managing Partner Frankfurt and Managing Partner Financial Services Deutschland. Subsequent to the merger of Arthur Andersen and Ernst & Young in 2002, Prof Dr Wagner became member of the Management Board and partner at Ernst & Young AG, being responsible for Global Financial Services, and also assumed various international management functions in the global Ernst & Young organisation.

In 2008 Prof Dr Wagner finished his career after 25 years at one of the big audit firms and moved to a professorial chair at the Frankfurt School of Finance & Management. He continues to work as auditor and tax advisor.

Prof Dr Wagner had originally studied Economics at the Justus Liebig University in Gießen (diploma in in 1980) and worked as academic assistant until obtaining his PhD.