

## Managing Director

### Dr Hans-Joachim Preuß

- Agricultural economist
- Born 5 June 1955 in Neuwied am Rhein, Germany
- Married; three children



## Educational Background

- 1973 – 1976 Trained as an industrial clerk with Artus Mineralquellen GmbH & Co. KG, Bad Hönningen
- 1976 – 1978 Obtained university entrance qualification at Koblenz State College
- 1980 – 1985 Studied agriculture at Justus Liebig University, Giessen obtaining a degree and the title Diplom-Agraringenieur
- 1985 – 1986 Postgraduate studies in development policy at the German Development Institute, Berlin
- 1990 – 1994 Doctorate at the Chair for Global Nutritional Science at Justus Liebig University, Giessen
- 1994 Obtained doctorate; Dr. agr. (magna cum laude)

## Professional Background

- 1986 – 1987 Project Assistant for the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH in Mauretania
- 1987 – 1988 Specialist Advisor in the Regional Rural Development in Sub-Saharan Africa Division of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH, Eschborn
- 1988 – 1990 Project Economist and Team Leader for the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH in Benin
- 1991 – 1994 Research associate at the Centre for Regional Development Research at Justus Liebig University Giessen
- 1994 – 1996 Senior Management Advisor in the Corporate Development Unit of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH, Eschborn
- 1996 – 2002 Director of the Programmes and Projects Department, Welthungerhilfe, Bonn
- 2003 – 2009 Secretary General, Welthungerhilfe, Bonn

- 2009 – 2010 Managing Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH, Eschborn
- since 01/2011 Managing Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Bonn and Eschborn

### **Honorary Posts**

- Lecturer at the Institute for Political Science and Sociology at the University of Bonn
- Member of the Management Board of the German-African Business Association
- Member of the Advisory Board of the Exposure- und Dialogprogramme e.V., Bonn
- Member of the Advisory Board of the German foreign and security policy quarterly 'Zeitschrift für Außen- und Sicherheitspolitik', Cologne
- Deputy Chair of the Peter Hesse Foundation
- Deputy Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Bürgerstiftung Vordertaunus civic trust
- Member of the Board of Trustees of Welthungerhilfe
- Member of the Board of Trustees of the Aid by Trade Foundation
- Member of the Advisory Committee of the Institute for Technology and Resources Management in the Tropics and Subtropics (ITT) of the University of Applied Sciences, Cologne