

## Member of the Board of Management

### Thorsten Schäfer-Gümbel

- Born on 1 October 1969 in Oberstdorf, Germany



#### Education

- 1989 Final school-leaving examination (Abitur)  
at the Landgraf-Ludwig-Schule, Giessen
- 1990 Degree in agricultural sciences, followed by  
a master's degree in political sciences in  
modern and medieval history and in public law,  
Justus Liebig University, Giessen
- from 1992 Scholarship holder from the Friedrich Ebert Foundation
- 1997 Final examination: Master of Arts with distinction

#### Professional career

- 1997 – 1998 Research assistant for the International Relations Chair of the Institute  
for Political Science at Justus Liebig University, Giessen
- 1998 – 2001 Advisor in the department of social and youth affairs for the City of Giessen
- 2001 – 2002 Research assistant to the Lord Mayor of the City of Giessen
- 2002 – 2003 Research assistant in Department II of the City of Giessen
- 2002 – 2003 Social policy advisor to the SPD state parliamentary group
- 2003 – 2019 Member of the Hesse state parliament
- since Oct. 2019 Member of the Management Board and Labour Relations Director of the Deutsche  
Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH

#### Political career

- since 1986 Member of the SPD
- 2009 – 2019 Chair of the SPD state parliamentary group in Hesse
- 2009 – 2019 Chair of the SPD in Hesse
- 2009 – 2019 Member of the SPD national board at the federal government level
- since 2009 Member of the 13th, 14th, 15th and 16th Federal Assemblies
- 2013 – 2019 Deputy chair of the SPD national board at the federal government level
- 2019 (Acting) co-chair of the SPD at the federal government level

#### Honorary posts

- since 2009 Member of the Executive Committee of Gießener Hochschulgesellschaft e.V.
- since 2011 Member of the Advisory Board of Frankfurter Hefte/Neue Gesellschaft
- since 2012 Member of the Board of Trustees of the Rheingau Music Festival
- since 2015 Member of the Board of Trustees of the Fraport Skyliners
- since 2020 Member of the Japanese-German Forum
- since 2020 Member of the Board of trustees of Litprom e.V.
- since 2020 Member of the Board of the German Asia-Pacific Business Association (OAV)
- since 2021 Member of the Policy Board of the National Urban Development Policy