

Curriculum Vitae

Reinhard PRIEBE

25 April 1949	Born in Lübeck (Germany)
1967 – 1972	Studies of law in Hamburg and Freiburg
1972 – 1976	First and Second State legal examination
1978	Dr. iur. Thesis on a European Law subject
1977 – 1984	Judge at the Verwaltungsgericht (Administrative Court) in Stuttgart
1979 – 1983	Assistant at the Bundesverfassungsgericht (Federal Constitutional Court)
1984 – 2001	European Commission, Directorate General for Agriculture
1984 – 1991	Unit Agricultural Law
1991 – 1993	Assistant to the Deputy Director General competent for the agricultural market organizations - mainly dealing with the preparations of the monthly meetings of the Agricultural Council
1994 – 1997	Head of Unit, measures of objective 5a of Structural Funds, agri-environmental and early retirement schemes - approving and supervising national and regional programmes related to restructuring of the farming industry - implementing the at the time new EU scheme for environmental farming practices - overall budget of 2.5 billion €
1997 – 2001	Head of Unit Agricultural Law - preparing and advising on new legislation (including two major policy reforms) - giving legal advice to other departments
2001 – 2004	Director Western Balkans in DG External Relations
2005 – 2006	Director Western Balkans in DG Enlargement - monitoring the post-crisis/pre-accession process with all Western

Balkans countries

- concluding negotiations on Accession Agreements
- advising the Commission on specific policy issues (such as the independence of Montenegro, the status of Kosovo, the consolidation of Bosnia and Herzegovina or the accession request of Croatia)
- handling EU subsidies for the Western Balkans (chair of the Board of the European Reconstruction Agency)

2006 – 2008

Director Conservation Policy in DG Fisheries and Maritime Affairs

2008 – 2009

Director Atlantic, Outermost Regions and Arctic in DG Maritime Affairs and Fisheries

- in charge of the annual fishery quota negotiations
- relations with Norway
- the shaping of an EU Arctic Policy

2010 – 2014

Director Internal Security in DG Home Affairs

Implementing the EU Internal Security Strategy

- harmonization of criminal law and police cooperation within the EU (in particular: trafficking of human beings, child abuse, cyber-crime, drugs, money laundering)
- enhancing law enforcement cooperation, representing the Commission in the Europol Management Board
- EU action in fighting terrorism
- preparation of the (first) Commission report on fighting corruption
- EU negotiator for the "SWIFT Agreement" with the US and several agreements on the transfer of flight passenger data (with the US, Australia and Canada)