



CURRICULUM VITAE  
**GÜNTER KATZ**  
Major General



Director General  
German Military Aviation Authority

Major General Katz is the Director General of the German Military Aviation Authority. He is responsible for all aspects of safety in military aviation, including the certification of manned and unmanned aircraft, regulation and standardization of military flight operations, licensing of flying, technical and aeromedical personnel as well as the recognition of and cooperation with other Aviation Authorities.

He was born in Wiesbaden, on 29th August 1962. He is married and has two sons.

In 1982 he started his military career with his entry into the German Air Force. During the following years, he became an instructor pilot and weapons instructor for the F-4 F Phantom II in Fighter Wing 71 "Richtofen".

From 1998 to 2000 he was Staff Officer to COMAIRNORTH, HQ AIRNORTH, Ramstein AFB. Later he was the Spokesman of the German Air Force at the Federal Ministry of Defence in Berlin. After that he became Commander of Fighter Wing 73 "Steinhoff" in Laage, where he flew the Eurofighter Typhoon.

In 2012 he served as Spokesman ISAF in Kabul for one year. After that he was appointed the Director Air Operations of the German Air Force Operational Command and Assistant Chief of Staff Operations at the German Air Force Headquarters.

Prior to his current assignment, Major General Katz was the Commander Flying Units of the German Air Force and responsible for 14,000 women and men from eleven different fighter, fighter-bomber, reconnaissance and transport wings.

#### Promotions

1985	2nd Lieutenant
1987	1st Lieutenant
1990	Captain
1994	Major
1996	Lieutenant Colonel
2004	Colonel
2012	Brigadier General
2016	Major General

#### Awards and Decorations

Gold Cross of Honour of the German Armed Forces  
ISAF Campaign Medal of the German Armed Forces  
ISAF NATO Medal  
Medal of Honour of the Italian Joint General Staff

#### Flight Information

Command Pilot with ~ 2700 flying hours on  
T-37  
T-38  
F-4E / F  
EUROFIGHTER

