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- 1982–1983 navigator (enlisted), 7 Fast Patrol Boat Squadron, Kiel
- 1984–1987 academic studies Business and Administration, Bundeswehr University Hamburg
- 1988–1991 above-water warfare officer, 3 Fast Patrol Boat Squadron, Flensburg
- 1991–1992 navigation officer, FS “Jeanne d’Arc”, Brest (France)
- 1992–1994 commanding officer, fast patrol boats FGS “S49 Wolf” and FGS “S50 Panther”, 3 Fast Patrol Boat Squadron, Flensburg
- 1994–1995 principal warfare officer training (AWW), Naval Operations School, Bremerhaven
- 1995–1997 above-water warfare officer, destroyer FGS “Rommel”, Kiel
- 1997–1999 national admiral staff officer course, Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, Hamburg
- 1999–2001 executive officer, destroyer FGS “Mölders”, Kiel
- 2001–2003 J5 staff officer, Regional Headquarters, Allied Forces Northern Europe, Brunssum (Netherlands) (including three months paternity leave)
- 2003–2004 commanding officer, frigate FGS “Bayern”, Wilhelmshaven
- 2004–2006 deputy head of branch, Military Policy Division, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
- 2006–2007 postgraduate studies, US Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island (USA)
- 2007–2008 director, International Admiral Staff Officer Course, Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, Hamburg
- 2008–2012 deputy commander and chief of staff, German Navy Flotilla 1, Kiel
- 2012–2014 head of branch, Strategy and Operations Directorate (Sub-Sahel Africa, America, Arctic), Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
- 2014–2015 head of branch, Concepts and International Cooperation Branch, German Navy Headquarters, Rostock
- 2015–2018 commander, German Navy Flotilla 1, and director, NATO Centre of Excellence for Operations in Confined and Shallow Waters, Kiel
- 2018–2019 Deputy Chief of Staff Operations, German Joint Support Service Headquarters, Bonn
- 2019–2021 commander, NATO Joint Warfare Centre, Stavanger (Norway)
- 2021–2022 Commander of the German Fleet and Vice Chief of the German Navy, German Navy Headquarters, Rostock
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