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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)
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