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CURRICULUM VITAE

Vice Admiral Wilhelm Tobias Abry
Chief of the German Navy



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1988	Joined the Navy as officer candidate, Naval Academy, Mürwik, Flensburg
1989 – 1993	Studies in Political Sciences and International Law at Bundeswehr University, Munich
1993 – 1994	Initial warfare training, Fast Patrol Boat Flotilla
1994 – 1997	Operations Officer, 2 Fast Patrol Boat Squadron
1997 – 1999	Flag Lieutenant to the Head of Naval Office, Rostock
1999 – 2000	Principal Warfare Officer Course at Naval Operations School, Bremerhaven
2000 – 2002	Commanding Officer, Fast Patrol Boat PUMA
2002 – 2004	General/Admiral Staff Officer Course at Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, Hamburg
2004 – 2006	Executive Officer, Frigate KARLSRUHE
2006 – 2008	Desk Officer, Operations Division, NATO HQ International Military Staff, Brussels
2008 – 2010	Personnel Manager, Federal Office of Bundeswehr Personnel Management, Cologne
2010 – 2012	Commanding Officer, Frigate NIEDERSACHSEN
2012 – 2014	Deputy Branch Chief, Directorate-General for Military Policy and Operations, Federal Ministry of Defence
2014 – 2016	Head Battle Staff DEU Flotilla 2
2016	Assistant Chief of Staff Joint Assessment, NATO Joint Force Command, Brunssum
2016 – 2018	Branch Chief Central Affairs, Office of the Chief of Defence, Federal Ministry of Defence
2018 – 2021	Commandant Naval Academy Mürwik, Flensburg
2021 – 2022	DCOS Operation German Navy Headquarters, Rostock
2022 – 2023	Division Head Military Policy and Operations, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
2023 – 2025	Chief of Staff, German Navy Headquarters, Rostock
2025 – 2026	Deputy Director-General for Joint Forces, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
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