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Professional Experience

2009 Visiting Professor of Entrepreneurial Finance, University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland
Since 2003 Scientific Co-Director of the Center for Entrepreneurial and Financial Studies (CEFS), Technical University of Munich (TUM), Germany
Since 2001 Chair of Entrepreneurial Finance (former DtA-Chair in Entrepreneurship/Entrepreneurial Finance, thereafter KfW-Chair in Entrepreneurial Finance till 2011/09 and Chair in Entrepreneurial Finance, supported by KfW Bankengruppe till 2014/12), Technical University of Munich (TUM), Germany,
50% part time since 2007/10, 20% family-related part time since 2013/10
1995 – 2001 Endowed Chair for Banking and Finance (former Chair for Investment and Finance) and chairwoman of the board INSTITUT FÜR FINANZMANAGEMENT, EUROPEAN BUSINESS SCHOOL (ebs), International University Schloss Reichartshausen, Oestrich-Winkel, Germany
1994 – 1995 Consultant, McKinsey & Company, Inc., Frankfurt on the Main, Germany
Since 1994 Private Lecturer of business administration, esp. finance and accounting, University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland
1992 – 1994 University Lecturer of Finance and External Auditing, University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland
1991 – 1992 Consultant, MS Management Service AG, St. Gallen, Switzerland

Education

University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland

1992 – 1994 Habilitation
1990 – 1992 Doctorate in law
1988 – 1991 Doctorate in business administration
1988 – 1990 Law Degree (lic. iur. HSG)
1984 – 1988 Degree in business administration (lic. oec. HSG)

Awards, Honors, et al.

2019 • Order of Merit of the Free State of Bavaria
2017 • Honorary doctorate Dr. rer. pol. (h.c.) from Leuphana University of Lüneburg
2016 • Highly commended paper 2015, Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence
2015 • Appointment as a member of AcademiaNet, an initiative of Robert Bosch Stiftung in cooperation with Spektrum der Wissenschaft and nature
2015 • Highly commended paper 2015, Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence
2014 • Appointment as a member of acatech (National Academy of Science and Engineering)
• Officer's Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany
• EFM 2013 Top Download Award, awarded by the European Financial Management
2011 • Science Award of Bundesverband Alternative Investments (BAI) in the category "Sonstige wissenschaftliche Arbeiten" ("Other scientific publications")
2010 • CEFS selected as "Ausgewählter Ort 2010" ("Selected Landmark 2010") as part of the initiative "Deutschland – Land der Ideen" ("Germany – Land of Ideas")
2009 • Best Paper Prize, 7th International Conference on Corporate Governance, Birmingham Business School, United Kingdom
• Mentor Award, Student Body of University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland

2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany • Unesco Chair Entrepreneurship Award for Entrepreneurial Thinking and Acting, awarded by UNESCO and Fachhochschule Gelsenkirchen
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor of the year 2006 (Award granted to professors successfully promoting student careers by the magazine UNICUM with support by KPMG)
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Initiativpreis 2005“, Stiftung Industrieforschung (awarded for the development of the German Entrepreneurial Index (GEX) with C. Kaserer) • “Preis für gute Lehre 2004“ (Teaching Award 2004) of the Bavarian State Minister of Sciences, Research and Arts
2004	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pro meritis scientiae et litterarum (Award of the Bavarian State Ministry of Sciences, Research and Arts for outstanding contributions to science in Bavaria) • Paul Julius Reuter Innovation Award, 2nd prize in the category ‘best dissertations’ (“Analysts’ coverage of high-growth companies – An analysis of the determinants with a special focus on investor relations”)
2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Best Teaching Award, TUM School of Management, Technical University of Munich (TUM), Germany
2002	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paul Julius Reuter Innovation Award, 2nd prize in the category ‘best dissertations’ (“Investor relations with financial analysts – An empirical analysis of the information needs of financial analysts in the automotive industry”)
2002 – 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honorary Professor for Entrepreneurial Finance at the EUROPEAN BUSINESS SCHOOL (ebs), International University Schloss Reichartshausen, Oestrich-Winkel
1998	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Global Leaders of Tomorrow (GLT), awarded by the World Economic Forum (WEF)
1992 – 1994	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Swiss Federation for the Promotion of the Rising Generation of Academics
1992	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Professor Dr. Walter Hug-Award Switzerland for one of the best dissertations in law in Switzerland • Professor Dr. Walter Hug-Award St. Gallen for the best dissertation in law at the Hochschule St. Gallen, Switzerland

Boards/Committees (selection)

Current Boards/Committees

Since 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Trustees of Institute for Advanced Study (IAS)
Since 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Directors of Linde plc • International Advisory Board of Investcorp • Executive Committee of the German National Academy of Science and Engineering (acatech) • Board of Trustees of ifo Institute • Global Future Council on Europe, World Economic Forum (WEF)
Since 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisory Board of Muenchener Rueckversicherungs-Gesellschaft AG • Trilateral Commission
Since 2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Trustees of Johannes B. Ortner-Stiftung

Former Boards/Committees

2017 – 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Europe Policy Group/New Concept for Europe Initiative, World Economic Forum (WEF)
2016 – 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisory Board of Deutsche Börse AG
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commissioner Navracsics’ High Level Group on the European Institute of Innovation & Technology (EIT)
2014 – 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Economic Advisory Council of the French Embassy in Berlin, Germany
2014 – 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Governance Code for Family Businesses
2012 – 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of Directors of ENGIE SA (former: GDF SUEZ SA)
2012 – 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Government Commission Regierungskommission Deutscher Corporate Governance Kodex (German Corporate Governance Code)
2012 – 2014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee “Financing of Social Enterprises“ of KfW Bankengruppe on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of Family Affairs, Seniors, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ)
2011 – 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisory Board of Linde AG
2011 – 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervisory Board of METRO AG
2011 – 2013	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Board of the Helmholtz-Validierungsfonds, Helmholtz-Gemeinschaft Deutscher Forschungszentren
2011 – 2012	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Private Capital Industry Agenda Council, World Economic Forum (WEF)

2010 – 2013	• Advisory Board (until 2013) of Social Entrepreneurship Akademie (SEA), previously Founding Member, Member of the Board until 2010
2010 – 2012	• Scientific Advisory Board, Knowledge Centre of the European Venture Philanthropy Association (EVPA)
2010 – 2011	• Private Fund Managers Industry Agenda Council, World Economic Forum (WEF)
2009 – 2013	• Board of Directors of Vontobel Holding AG and Bank Vontobel AG
2009 – 2011	• Board of Directors of SpineWelding AG (former WW Technology SA)
2009 – 2010	• FLÜGGE Expert Commission, Bavarian State Ministry of Sciences, Research and the Arts
2009	• Expert Commission “Future of the Social Market Economy”, Government of the Free State of Bavaria, Germany
2008 – 2013	• Senate of Fraunhofer Gesellschaft (FhG)
2008 – 2010	• Technical Advisory Group (TAG) of the Global Education Initiative – Entrepreneurship Education, World Economic Forum (WEF)
2007 – 2011	• Expert Commission “Research and Innovation” (EFI), German Federal Government, Vice-Chairwoman since 2009/09
2007 – 2010	• Alumni-HSG Advisory Board of University of St. Gallen (HSG), Switzerland
2006 – 2010	• Chairwoman of the Advisory Board of Ashoka Germany
2006 – 2009	• Chairwoman of the Board of Trustees of berufundfamilie gGmbH
2006 – 2007	• Expert Commission of the Bavarian Minister President Dr. Edmund Stoiber “Future of Bavaria 2020 – mega-trends and their better application to business and science, prosperity and jobs in Bavaria”
2005 – 2008	• Research Advisory Board of Institut für Mittelstandsforschung Bonn (IfM) • Member of the Institute of Advanced Studies (IAS) at Technical University of Munich (TUM)
2005 – 2007	• Member of the International Private Equity and Venture Capital Valuation Guidelines Board (IPEV) • Principal Investigator of the International Graduate School of Science and Engineering (IGSSE) at the Technischen Universität München (TUM)
2004 – 2007	• Board of Trustees of the Rationalisierungs- und Innovationszentrum der Deutschen Wirtschaft e.V. (RKW) • Board of Trustees of the Hochschule der Sparkassen-Finanzgruppe
2004 – 2005	• Working group on “Consolidation incl. Special Purpose Entities”, German Accounting Standards Committee (DRSC)
2003 – 2007	• Expert Advisory Board of “EXIST – University-based start-ups”, Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Germany
2003 – 2004	• Task force on “International Accounting Standards”, European Venture Capital & Private Equity Association (EVCA)
2002 – 2009	• Expert commission “Finance” of the Advisory Board on Small- and Medium-Sized Companies of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Technology, Berlin (Spokeswoman 2002 – 2006)
2002 – 2008	• Co-editor of the journal DIE BETRIEBSWIRTSCHAFT (DBW)
2002 – 2007	• Advisory Board to the German Financial Supervisory Authority (BaFin), Deputy Chairwoman • Scientific Advisory Board of Munich Intellectual Property Law Center (MIPLC)
2002 – 2003	• Advisory Board (“Börsenrat”) of the Bavarian Stock Exchange
2001 – 2009	• Member of Förderkreis Gründungs-Forschung e.V. (FGF), President (2007 – 2009)
2001 – 2002	• European Expert Commission “Financing Small- and Medium-Sized Companies”
2000 – 2008	• Expert Advisory Committee of the journal FINANZ BETRIEB
2000 – 2007	• Board of GI Ventures AG (Chairwoman until 2005, Co-founder)
2000 – 2004	• German-Japanese Forum (DJF)
2000 – 2002	• Board of Deutsche Effecten- und Wechsel-Beteiligungsgesellschaft (DEWB)
1999 – 2001	• Board of Deutsche Schutzvereinigung für Wertpapierbesitz e.V. (DSW)
1998 – 2001	• Governing Board of Gesellschaft für Konsumforschung (GfK e.V.)
1997 – 2001	• Editorial committee for the German translation of the International Accounting Standards
1996 – 2001	• Board of Depfa Bank
1995 – 1998	• Expert commission “Revision of Accounting Law” for the Ministry of Justice, Switzerland
1993 – 1997	• Project consultant to the International Accounting Standards Committee (IASC)

Current Juries

<i>Since 2019</i>	• ACA-Prize in Financial Governance, issued by University of St. Gallen (HSG)
<i>Since 2018</i>	• Digital Female Leader Award, issued by Global Digital Women and myself
	• LaMonachia, issued by the city of Munich
<i>Since 2017</i>	• The Spark, issued by McKinsey & Company and Handelsblatt
<i>Since 2016</i>	• Top 100-Jury, the award for Germany's most innovative SMEs
<i>Since 2010</i>	• Prize for the best business book, issued by Handelsblatt
<i>Since 2009</i>	• Top 500-Award, issued by Welt-Gruppe
<i>Since 2008</i>	• Innovation award of the Ministry for Innovation, Science, Research and Technology of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia

Publications [PublicationsAchleitner.pdf](#)