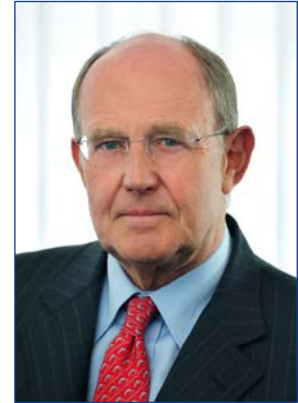


Curriculum Vitae

Dr. Ralf Bethke

Chairman of the Supervisory Board Shareholder Representative

Former Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors of K+S Aktiengesellschaft
Member of the Supervisory Board of K+S Aktiengesellschaft since July 2007
Mandate until the end of the ordinary Annual General Meeting 2012



Personal data

Year of Birth 1942
Place of Birth Königsberg
Residence Deidesheim

Education

1963 – 1968 Studies of business administration and economics at the Universities of Bonn, Cologne and Mannheim
Degree: Diploma
1971 Doctorate (Dr. rer. pol.) at the University of Mannheim

Career history

1969 – 1971 Research assistant at the professorship for business administration, organisation/logistics at the University of Mannheim
1972 – 1978 Marketing and sales functions in the area of fertilizers, BASF AG, Ludwigshafen
1978 – 1983 Member of the Board of Executive Directors, sales, chemicals, finance, personnel and administration, Chemag AG, Frankfurt
1984 – 1990 Head of marketing and sales intermediate products, BASF AG, Ludwigshafen
1990 – 1991 Member of the Board of Executive Directors, organisational division sales, Kali und Salz AG, Kassel
1991 – 2007 Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors, K+S Aktiengesellschaft, Kassel

Further Supervisory Board appointments

Benteler International AG, Salzburg (vice chairman)
Dr. Jens Ehrhardt Kapital AG, Pullach (Chairman)
Süddeutsche Zuckerrübenverwertungs-Genossenschaft eG, Stuttgart-Ochsenfurt
Südzucker AG Mannheim/Ochsenfurt, Mannheim

Other appointments to supervisory bodies

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