

# WOLFGANG KÜPPER

## BIOGRAPHY



Wolfgang Küpper (DE, 1959) is the Secretary General of the Intergovernmental Organisation for International carriage by Rail (OTIF).

Mr KÜPPER is a lawyer and at the German Ministry of Transport, he was responsible for all aspects of railway policy at national, European and international levels, and relations with the railway industry. Mr Küpper took up his duties as Secretary General in 2019 and was re-elected to the post by OTIF's General Assembly in September 2021. He is pressing for the even swifter harmonisation of railway law and strongly believes that making railways the foremost means of transport should be a common aim in the context of the urgent social issues of climate change, urbanisation and demographic change.

## EXPERIENCE

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SINCE APRIL 2019 **SECRETARY GENERAL OF OTIF**

2005-2019 **HEAD OF THE RAILWAY POLICY DIVISION: NATIONAL, EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY POLICY**

*Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure, Bonn*

1995 - 2005 **ASSISTANT HEAD OF THE RAILWAY POLICY DIVISION**

*Federal Ministry of Transport, Bonn*

1992 - 1995 **ADVISER IN THE INTERNATIONAL RAILWAY POLICY AND RAIL FREIGHT DIVISION**

*Federal Ministry of Transport, Bonn*

1990 - 1992 **LEGAL ADVISER FOR TRANSPORT LAW**

*Legal service of the German Federal Railways, Cologne Regional Headquarters*

1989 - 1990 **SOLICITOR**

*in a Law Firm*

## PUBLICATIONS

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Co-commentator in Mückenhausen/Frohnmeier "European Transport Law".

## LANGUAGES

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| <b>GERMAN</b>  | Native speaker |
| <b>ENGLISH</b> | Business       |
| <b>FRENCH</b>  | Good           |
| <b>SPANISH</b> | Basic          |