

Curriculum vitae:

Ingo Behnel

State Secretary



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Personal details

- Born in Wolfhagen in 1962
- Married, has two children, Protestant

Education and training

- 1982: Higher education entrance qualification (Abitur), Hardtberg-Gymnasium Bonn
- 1982–1984: Temporary soldier in the Federal Armed Forces (Bundeswehr)
- 1984–1986: Trained as a bank clerk at Deutsche Bank
- 1986–1991: Studied law at the University of Bonn and University of Surrey, first state examination in law in 1991

Professional career

- 1992–1995: Research assistant to the Chair of Public Law at the University of Bonn, focusing on social law, fundamental rights, constitutional and administrative law
- 1992–1995: Practical legal training at the Higher Regional Court in Cologne, second state examination in law in 1995
- 1995: Trainee at Deutsche Bank AG in Frankfurt
- 1996–1998: Policy Officer at the Bundestag Administration
- 1998–2000: Personal Advisor to the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Armed Forces
- 2000–2001: Liaison Officer of the German Bundestag at the French Parliament (Assemblée nationale) in Paris
- 2001–2002: Deputy Head of the Division for International Relations
- 2002–2005: Policy Officer in the Christian Democratic Union/Christian Social Union (CDU/CSU) parliamentary group in the Bundestag, responsible for social policy (family, education and research policy)
- 2005–2010: Head of Staff of the Federal Government Commissioner for Migration, Refugees and Integration at the Federal Chancellery
- 2010–2014: Director-General for Family Affairs at the Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth
- 2014–2025: Head of the Central Directorate-General, European and International Policy Issues at the Federal Ministry of Health
- Since 2025: State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Education, Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth