

Former German Vice-Chancellor and Economy Minister Philipp Rösler Joins World Economic Forum

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- Dr Philipp Rösler, former German Vice-Chancellor and Federal Minister of Economics and Technology, joins the World Economic Forum as Managing Director and Member of the Managing Board
- As new Managing Director he brings strong experience in politics, economics and health
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Geneva, Switzerland, 23 December 2013 – The World Economic Forum is pleased to announce that Philipp Rösler, the former German

Vice-Chancellor and Minister of Economics and Technology, is joining the Forum as Managing Director and

member of the Managing Board.

“ We are delighted to welcome Philipp Rösler into our leadership team. His career is remarkable, serving and driving the government of one of the world ’ s biggest economies during the past years. Dr Rösler's expertise and experience will be very valuable to further develop the World Economic Forum as the foremost platform for public-private cooperation, ” said Klaus Schwab, Founder and Executive Chairman of the World Economic Forum.

“ I am very happy to be joining the World Economic Forum, ” said Philipp Rösler. “ It has a great philosophy: bringing stakeholders together and motivating people to solve pressing global challenges. ”

Philipp Rösler has been active in German politics from a young age. From 2011 he was Chairman of the Free Democratic Party. He held government office as Germany ’ s Minister of Economics and Technology and Vice-Chancellor from May 2011 until December 2013. From October 2009, he was Minister of Health.

He is a qualified doctor, and prior to his government posts, he served as a medical officer in the German army. He earned his doctorate in cardio-thoracic-vascular surgery in 2002.

Philipp Rösler has been engaged in important issues in the German health system and played a key role in

Chancellor Angela Merkel's cabinet, driving forward Germany ' s economic agenda.

He was nominated a World Economic Forum Young Global Leader in 2010, and has been a participant on several occasions at the World Economic Forum ' s Annual Meeting in Davos.

He is married and has two daughters.

Notes to Editors

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