



Annette Klein
Consul General
Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany

Biography

since August 2016	Consul General for Florida, Puerto Rico and the US Virgin Islands, Miami
until July 2016	Consul General in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
until July 2014	Consul General in Gdansk, Poland
2010/11	Language training
until April 2010	CIO of the German Foreign Office
until 2007	Deputy Head of the German Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan
until 2005	Head of Division in the Protocol Department
until 2001	Desk Officer for Belgium, Luxemburg, the Netherlands and Austria, Berlin
until 2000	Head of the Cultural Department of the German Embassy in Mexico-City
until 1997	Regional Office of the Organization of Security and Cooperation in Europe, OSZE, in Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina
until 1996	Desk Officer for multilateral technical cooperation, Bonn
until 1994	Deputy Head of Mission of the German Embassy in Skopje
until 1992	Desk Officer at the Permanent Mission of the FRG to the United Nations, New York
until 1990	Desk Officer at the German Government's Diplomatic School
1987 - 1989	German Government's Diplomatic School, Bonn
1986	First State Exam (Law)

http://www.germany.info/Vertretung/usa/en/03_Consulates/Miami/02/01/Consul_CV.html



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