



## **EIOPA Occupational Pensions Stakeholder Group**



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In 1988 I finished my PhD in Sociology at the University of Bielefeld on corporatism, a historical French model of democratic control of lobbyism in the state legislation process. It was based on research work done before in Paris and Aix-en-Provence.

Due to an additional professional training as Scientific Documentalist at the new Technical College of Potsdam I started in 1996 my work as media analyst of the German Association of Insured (BdV) in Hamburg, specialized in welfare state reform and private retirement provision.

Already in the early phase of the Solvency II project I represented the BdV as a panellist at an EC public hearing in Brussels (in June 2006). Since the definite establishment of the ESAs my personal engagement via panels, comments or articles covered the main issues of insurance-related EU regulatory projects: PEPP, IDD, POG, IORPs II, PRIIPs KID, IPIDs, PBS, SFCR, etc. I was a member of EIOPA's OPSG (2018-2020) and IRSG (2019/2020).

Many of these positions have closely been developed with Better Finance, the European Federation of Investors and Financial Services Users based in Brussels. With our spokesman I represent BdV at Better Finance (since 2015).

Making now the step from regulation to enhanced supervision on the European level, my prevailing motivation for OPSG consists in scrutinizing as closely as possible the practical implementation of these supervisory frameworks on the national and European level.