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**Panel A7**

**Defence Capabilities – Common Security and Defence  
Policy's credibility**

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On September, 1st, Frank resumed the responsibility of the newly created function of "Chief Marketing Officer" of the Bundeswehr IT GmbH.

Before, until August, 28th, 2018, Lieutenant General Leidenberger served as Commander German Army Elements Multinational Headquarters and Basic Military Organization.

From June 2015 until July 2016 he had served as Chief of Staff, Headquarters Resolute Support in Afghanistan.

Previous to this deployment, he was the Director of the Planning Office of the Bundeswehr.

Prior to that posting, he served as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations of the Bundeswehr Response Forces Operations Command from November 2010 to May 2012.

From July 2008 to November 2010 he commanded the 31st Airborne Brigade in (OLDENBURG). During that time also deployed to Afghanistan to serve as the Commander of ISAF Regional Command North from December 2009 to June 2010.

He was Chief J3 EUROCORPS from October 2002 to February 2005. During this time he served in Afghanistan as the Deputy Chief of Staff, HQ ISAF from July 2004 to February 2005.

From July 1998 to August 2000 he commanded Armored Reconnaissance Battalion 13, and deployed to Bosnia as Commander, Armored Task Force-SFOR from November 1998 to April 1999.

Lieutenant General Leidenberger was born in 1958 in Nuremberg, Bavaria.

He joined the Bundeswehr in 1977, was commissioned as an Armored Cavalry lieutenant in 1980, and went on through a wide variety of assignments that included troop leader and company commander.

He holds a Master of Business Arts degree from the Bundeswehr University in Munich (1982) and is a graduate of the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in Hamburg (1992), where he later also served as teacher/tutor for the national "General staff officers' course" (2000).