



**General Eberhard Zorn**

Chief of Defence, Federal Ministry of Defence,  
Germany

**Main Programme**

**Keynote Speech**

Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018, 14:30 – 14:50h

born in Saarbrücken on 19 February 1960, married

**Military Career:**

01 July 1978: Entry into the Bundeswehr  
 1979 – 1983: Artillery Officer Training and Course of Study in Economics and Organizational Sciences  
 1983 – 1987: Assignments as Platoon Leader and Intelligence Officer, Observation Battalion 103 PFULLENDORF  
 1987 – 1990: Commander, 3rd Battery, Observation Battalion 123, TAUBERBISCHOFESHEIM  
 1990 – 1991: Fire Control and Operations and Training Officer, Headquarters Artillery Regiment 12, TAUBERBISCHOFESHEIM  
 1991 – 1993: Attendance of the 34th General Staff Officer Course at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College in HAMBURG  
 1993 – 1995: Attendance of the French General Staff Officer Course in PARIS  
 1995 – 1997: Assignments at KLK/4th Division in REGENSBURG, deployment abroad as ACOS Logistics, German Army Contingent UNPF/GECONIFOR(L), 1st Contingent, TROGIR  
 1997 – 1999: Operations and Personnel Staff Officer, German Army Forces Command, KOBLENZ  
 1999 – 2001: Commander, Field Artillery/ Armored Artillery Battalion 295, IMMENDINGEN; deployment abroad as Operations and Training Staff Officer, HQ Multinational Division South-East, MOSTAR, SFOR  
 2001 – 2002: Assistant Chief of Branch at the Federal Ministry of Defense, Personnel, Social Services and Central Affairs Directorate, BONN  
 2002 – 2004: Assistant Chief of Branch Personnel, PSZ I 4, BONN  
 2004 – 2005: Branch Chief Plans/Operations/Organization at HQ German Army Forces Command, KOBLENZ  
 2005 – 2007: ACOS Plans/Operations/Organization at German Army Forces Command, KOBLENZ  
 2007 – 2010: Branch Chief in the Army Staff, Federal Ministry of Defense, BONN  
 2010 – 2012: Commander of Airborne Brigade 26 "Saarland", SAARLOUIS  
 2012 – 2014: Head of Personal Staff to Chief of Defence, BERLIN  
 2014 – 2015: Commander, Rapid Response Forces Division, STADTALLENDORF  
 2015 – 2017: Director Forces Policy, Ministry of Defence, BERLIN  
 2017 – 2018: Director-General for Personnel, Ministry of Defence, BERLIN since 16th April 2018:  
 19th April 2018: 16th Chief of Defence, Ministry of Defence, BERLIN