



Chief of Defence General Carsten Breuer

Date of birth: 1 December 1964
Place of birth: Letmathe, North Rhine-Westphalia
Family status: married, three children

Military Career

Year	Position
since 17/03/23	17th Chief of Defence
2022 – 2023	Commander, Bundeswehr Homeland Defence Command, Berlin
2022	Head of Activation Staff, Bundeswehr Homeland Defence Command, Berlin
2021 – 2022	Head of COVID-19 Task Force at the Federal Chancellery, Berlin
2018 – 2021	Commander, Bundeswehr Territorial Command, Berlin
2016 – 2017	Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations/Military Intelligence/Training Directorate at DEU A HQ, Strausberg
2015 – 2016	Project Manager for the 2016 White Paper on German Security Policy and the Future of the Bundeswehr, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
2014	Chief of Division I, Directorate-General for Security and Defence Policy, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
2013 – 2014	Commander, 37 Armoured Infantry Brigade “Freistaat Sachsen“, Frankenberg/Saxony

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2012 – 2013	Branch Chief, Military Policy Concepts and Bilateral Relations, subsequently Fundamentals of Security Policy and Bilateral Relations, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
2010 – 2011	Branch Chief, Military-Strategic Fundamentals, Armed Forces Staff, Federal Ministry of Defence, Berlin
2008 – 2010	Deputy SACTREPEUR, Chief of Staff and Branch Chief, Capability Development/ Strategic Plans and Policy, NATO HQ, Brussels, Belgium
2006 – 2008	Military Assistant to Chief of the German Army, Federal Ministry of Defence, Bonn
2004 – 2006	Commander, 12 Armoured Air Defence Gun Battalion, Hardheim
2002 – 2004	Chief of Staff, 41 Armoured Infantry Brigade, Torgelow
2001 – 2002	US Command and General Staff Officers' Course at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, USA
1999 – 2001	Staff Officer to Vice Chief of Defence, Ministry of Defence, Bonn
1997 – 1999	40th General Staff Officer Course at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College, Hamburg
1995 – 1997	Special Branch Instructor, Army Air Defence, Armour School, Munster
1992 – 1995	Commander, 4th Battery, 6 Armoured Air Defence Gun Demonstration Battalion, Lütjenburg
1989 – 1992	Youth Officer and Military Assistant to Division Commander, 10th Armoured Division, Sigmaringen S2 Officer and Platoon Leader, 10 Air Defence Regiment, Sigmaringen
1985 – 1988	Degree in Educational Theory, Bundeswehr University Hamburg
1984 – 1985	Officer training at the Army Air Defence School, Rendsburg
1984	Joined the Bundeswehr with Air Defence Regiment 11, Achim

Deployments 11/03 – 02/04 Commander, German National Element,
MNB (SW), 8th German KFOR Contingent,
Prizren, Kosovo

01/14 – 07/14 Director Current Ops, ISAF Joint
Command, Kabul, Afghanistan

Decorations

Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany

Bronze Cross of Honour of the Bundeswehr

Bronze Service Medal (Flood Relief Operation 2002)

Bronze Service Medal (KFOR)

Silver Cross of Honour of the Bundeswehr

Gold Cross of Honour of the Bundeswehr

Bronze Service Medal (Flood Relief Operation 2013)

Bronze Service Medal (ISAF AFG)