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Retired German Air Force Brig. Gen. Helmut Dotzler is the German Deputy Director of the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies.

Military Career

Brig. Gen. Dotzler was appointed commander Territorial Command Bavaria in Munich on Nov. 27, 2013.

In this function, he was the highest Military Representative of German Forces in Bavaria.

After joining the Bundeswehr in 1976, he completed his Air Force officer training with stations in Germany (Munich, Freising, Lenggries and Erding) and the United States of America (El Paso).

General Dotzler finished his studies at the Bundeswehr Academy with a diploma in Business Administration.

Following assignments as squadron commander and participation in the 36th Air Force general staff course, he went through numerous appointments as general staff officer at the Federal Ministry of Defense (FMoD), the Air Force Office, the Air Force Support Command and worked as military assistant to the Chief of the German Air Force.

He was commander of the Air Force service regiment 8 and Joint Logistics Services logistic regiment 46, before he was appointed branch head at the FMoD Air Staff, acting director and project manager at the NATO Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Mons, Belgium and chief of cabinet to Parliamentary State Secretary Christian Schmidt in Berlin.

Right before assuming command in Munich, Brigadier General Dotzler served as head of the German Liaison Team to headquarters, United States Central Command, in Tampa, Florida (USA).

