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Colonel (GS) Hinz joined the Bundeswehr in July 1982. After graduation as Diplom-Kaufmann (univ) at the Bundeswehr University in Munich in December, 1986, he was trained at the Control and Reporting Center (CRC) Messstetten in Air Surveillance and Fighter Control. After various staff, leadership, and operational assignments he became a Master Controller of the CRC.

From 1995 until 1997, he attended the 40th Air Force General Staff Course at the Armed Forces Command and Staff College (Führungsakademie der Bundeswehr) in Hamburg.

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He is fluent in German and English, has a good knowledge of French, and a fair knowledge of Italian and Dutch.

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