



## Prof. Dr.-Ing. Axel Stepken

\* August 23, 1958, Essen  
Nationality: German

Member of the Supervisory Board of  
GEA Group Aktiengesellschaft since  
since April 30, 2024

Member of the Presiding and Sustainability Committee  
Current term of office: Until the expiry of the Annual  
General Meeting 2027

### Education:

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| 1978 – 1984 | <b>RWTH Aachen University</b><br>Degree in electrical engineering, RWTH Aachen University<br>Diplom-Ingenieur |
| 1989        | <b>RWTH Aachen University</b><br>PhD in electrical engineering, RWTH Aachen University<br>Dr.-Ing.            |

### Experience:

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| 1984 – 1991 | <b>RWTH Aachen University</b><br><b>Institute of General Electrical Engineering and High Voltage Engineering</b><br><br>Research associate |
| 1991 – 1995 | <b>ABB Calor Emag Schaltanlagen GmbH</b><br><br>Project manager automation technology in high voltage<br>switchgear installations          |
| 1995 – 1998 | <b>PT ABB Transmission &amp; Distribution, Indonesia</b><br><br>Managing Director  |
| 1998 – 2002 | <b>ABB Airport Technologies GmbH</b><br><br>Managing Director  |

2002 – 2022	<b>TÜV SÜD Aktiengesellschaft</b>
2002 – 2007	- Member of the Board of Management, responsible for the Industry Division, ASIA PACIFIC Region
2007 – 2022	- Chairman of the Board of Management
Since 2015	<b>Technical University of Munich</b> Honorary professor
Since 2023	<b>TÜV SÜD Foundation</b> Chairman of the Board of Directors

**Current mandates:**

Membership in statutory German supervisory boards of listed companies:

- GEA Group Aktiengesellschaft, Düsseldorf; Germany (member of the Supervisory Board, member of the Presiding and Sustainability Committee)

Membership in statutory German supervisory boards of unlisted companies: none

Membership in comparable German and foreign supervisory bodies of listed business entities: none

Membership in comparable German and foreign supervisory bodies of unlisted business entities: none

Other:

- TÜV SÜD Aktiengesellschaft (Chairman of the Shareholders' Committee)
- German Asia-Pacific Business Association (Member of the Board)
- Acatech National Academy of Science and Engineering (Member of the Senate)
- Deutsche Bank AG (Member of the Advisory Board)
- Stifterverband der Wissenschaft (Member of the Board of Directors)
- German Singapore Business Forum (Co-Chairman)
- Technical University of Munich (Member of the Advisory Board)

**Independence:**

In the opinion of the Supervisory Board, Prof. Dr. Stepken is considered independent within the meaning of the recommendations set out in the German Corporate Governance Code.