

PRESS RELEASE

Bodo Uebber appointed new chairman of the Bertelsmann Stiftung Board of Trustees

The renowned manager succeeds Prof. Dr. Ing. Werner J. Bauer, who has very successfully led the Board of Trustees for over a decade

Gütersloh – September 26, 2024. The Bertelsmann Stiftung Board of Trustees will undergo a reorganization at the beginning of 2025, with manager Bodo Uebber assuming the role of chairman. Uebber, an independent management consultant and former member of the Board of Management of Daimler AG, has been a member of the foundation's Board of Trustees for three years. He succeeds Prof. Dr. Ing. Werner J. Bauer, who is stepping down as chairman of the Board of Trustees after many years of very successful service. Bauer has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 2003 and its chairman since 2011.

Liz Mohn, founder and honorary member of the Board of Trustees, says: "I would like to personally thank Werner Bauer for his extremely successful track record and trusting cooperation during the years he has led the Board of Trustees. He has always exhibited a clear understanding of the social challenges of our time and ensured that the foundation has contributed new ideas in a changing world and thus increased its impact. His work has been formative for the Bertelsmann Stiftung. His successor, Bodo Uebber, is recognized for his extensive corporate experience and successful leadership. He understands how to combine entrepreneurial foresight with social responsibility. I am much looking forward to working with him as chairman of the Board of Trustees."

As he leaves the foundation's Board of Trustees, Prof. Dr. Ing. Werner J. Bauer says, "I am pleased to have had the opportunity over many years to help shape society's future and develop solutions to the pressing problems of our time as chairman of the Bertelsmann Stiftung Board of Trustees. Independent, non-profit institutions like the Bertelsmann Stiftung, which was founded almost 50 years ago, are more valuable today than ever before."

Commenting on his appointment, Bodo Uebber, the new chairman of the Board of Trustees, says, "I would like to express my thanks for the trust that has been placed in me. I firmly believe that the Bertelsmann Stiftung's Board of Trustees will contribute forward-looking ideas to society and democracy in these challenging times. We are convinced that there is always a way to 'make things better,' as our founder Reinhard Mohn once put it."

About Prof. Dr. Ing. Werner J. Bauer

Werner J. Bauer is the former chairman of the Supervisory Board of Nestlé Deutschland AG and was responsible for Technology, Production, Research and Development as executive vice president of Nestlé AG until August 2013. Born in Prien (Germany) in 1950, he studied chemical engineering in Erlangen-Nuremberg and then initially pursued a career in science; among other positions he has held, he was professor of chemical engineering at the Technical University of Hamburg and director of the Fraunhofer Institute for Food Technology and Packaging in Munich. He joined Nestlé in 1990 where he held a number of positions. From 2007 to 2013, not only was he executive vice president, but also head of the Innovation, Technology, Research and Development division. He has been a shareholder of Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH since April 2008. He has been a member of the Supervisory

Board of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA since August 2012 and its vice-chairman since May 2017.

About Bodo Uebber

Born in Solingen in 1959, Bodo Uebber studied industrial engineering at the University of Karlsruhe. He has worked as an independent management consultant since 2020. From 2003 to 2019, he was a member of the Board of Management of Daimler AG. He was also a member of the Investment Advisory Board of the German Stifterverband association. He was chairman of the Board of Directors of EADS, now Airbus SE, from 2009 to 2012. Since 2011, he has been a member of the Supervisory Board of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA and of Bertelsmann Management SE. He has been a member of the Supervisory Board of Adidas AG since 2019 and chairman of the Supervisory Board of Evercore GmbH since 2021. At the end of 2023, he was appointed chairman of the Supervisory Board of Flix SE.

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Liz Mohn

Founder and honorary member of the Bertelsmann Stiftung Board of Trustees. Member of the Supervisory Board of Bertelsmann SE & Co. KGaA. Shareholder of Bertelsmann Verwaltungsgesellschaft mbH

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