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POLITICAL COMMUNICATIONS IN BERLIN AND BRUSSELS WITH NEW MANAGEMENT

- Stephanie Raddatz taking over political communications
- Katrin Kaiser will lead Corporate Channels and Events
- Anastasia Boyarchenko as new communicator for Wintershall Dea's Business Unit Germany

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Berlin/Kassel/Hamburg. Wintershall Dea, Europe's leading independent gas and oil producer, is appointing a new head of political communications. As of 1 August, Stephanie Raddatz has taken over from Peter Westhof as Vice President to assume responsibility for Public Affairs and Government Relations at Wintershall Dea. Her predecessor Peter Westhof retired on 31 July 2021 after almost 30 years at the company. He was head of Wintershall Dea's Berlin and Brussels office since 2016 and, more recently, also accompanied the political dimension of communication activities in respect to the merger of Wintershall and DEA. At the same time, the company has made some further staff changes in the communication department.

Stephanie Raddatz has held senior positions at the company for five years, most recently as Vice President Corporate Services and Channels at Corporate Communications. In future Stephanie Raddatz will be responsible for all of Wintershall Dea's political communications activities in Berlin and Brussels.

"Peter Westhof has played an essential part in shaping the company for 30 years. We thank him for his lasting and successful commitment and wish him all the best for his retirement," says Mario Mehren, Chief Executive Officer of Wintershall Dea. "At the same time, I am pleased that Stephanie Raddatz, as the new head of political communications, will be shaping the work in the future with lots of energy expertise."

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Katrin Kaiser took over from Stephanie Raddatz on 1 August 2021 as Vice President with responsibility for Corporate Services and Channels. Katrin Kaiser has been at the company since 2013 and was previously editor-in-chief of the employee magazine.

There has also been a change at the top of communications for Wintershall Dea's Germany subsidiary: the company appointed Anastasia Boyarchenko Vice President Communications for the Business Unit Germany in Hamburg in July 2021.

Anastasia Boyarchenko has thus made a job transfer from Wintershall Dea Russia, where she had headed the Communications and Events department in Saint Petersburg since May 2018, to Hamburg. Prior to that, she had worked as a press spokesperson for Corporate Communications at the former Wintershall in Kassel. Anastasia Boyarchenko will intensify communications and dialogue at the Wintershall Dea production sites in Germany. She took over from Carolin Flemming, who had held the position since the merger of Wintershall and DEA and has now left the company.

Wintershall Dea's global communications activities will continue to be led by Michael Sasse, Senior Vice President Corporate Communications. Michael Sasse has worked for Wintershall and then Wintershall Dea since 2002.

About Wintershall Dea

Wintershall Dea is Europe's leading independent natural gas and oil company with more than 120 years of experience as an operator and project partner along the entire E&P value chain. The company with German roots and headquarters in Kassel and Hamburg explores for and produces gas and oil in 13 countries worldwide in an efficient and responsible manner. With activities in Europe, Russia, Latin America and the MENA region (Middle East & North Africa), Wintershall Dea has a global upstream portfolio and, with its participation in natural gas transport, is also active in midstream business. **More in our [Annual Report](#).**



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As a European gas and oil company, we support the goal of the EU to be climate-neutral by 2050. To this end, we have set ourselves ambitious targets. Our target is to reduce Scope 1 and Scope 2 greenhouse gas emissions in all self-operated and partner-operated exploration and production activities in line with our share to net zero. In addition, Wintershall Dea aims to reduce its methane intensity to below 0.1% by 2025 and to continue to maintain zero routine flaring of associated gas. The climate targets should be achieved through optimising the portfolio, reducing emissions, increasing energy efficiency, investing in nature-based mitigation solutions and forward-looking technologies such as hydrogen and CCS. **More on this can be found in our [Sustainability Report](#).**

Wintershall Dea was formed from the merger of Wintershall Holding GmbH and DEA Deutsche Erdoel AG, in 2019. Today, the company employs around 2,500 people from over 60 nations.

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