

## Profile of Ralph Brinkhaus, MP

### Directly Elected Representative of Constituency 131/Guetersloh (Germany)



- ❖ Born 15 June 1968 in Wiedenbrueck, Germany
- ❖ Brought up in Rietberg-Mastholte, Germany
- ❖ Roman-catholic, married

#### Career

- ❖ Did an apprenticeship / dual study program at Robert Bosch AG
- ❖ Completed his military service
- ❖ Graduated with a degree in economics from the University of Hohenheim (Germany)
- ❖ Worked at an internationally renowned auditing company
- ❖ Completed his tax advisor examination
- ❖ Worked several years as advisor and business director in the German industry
- ❖ Self-employed tax accountant since 2004

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#### Party Involvement (Christian Democratic Union – CDU)

- ❖ 2004 – 01/2012: Member of the Guetersloh City Council; between 2007 and 2009 chairman of the CDU parliamentary group at that council

#### Parliamentary Work

- ❖ Member of Parliament since 2009
- ❖ 2014 – 2018: Deputy chairman of the CDU/CSU parliamentary group at the German Federal Parliament, responsible for budgetary, financial and municipal politics
- ❖ September 2018 - February 2022: Chairman of the CDU/CSU parliamentary group at the German Federal Parliament
- ❖ Since February 2022: Member of the Committee on European Union Affairs and of the Parliamentary Advisory Council on Sustainable Development
- ❖ Since March 2022: Chairman of the German-Indian Parliamentary Friendship Group