



**Personal details:**

Year of birth: 1959  
Place of birth: Troisdorf  
Nationality: German  
Occupation: Minister of Finance of Hesse  
Place of residence: Frankfurt am Main

**Education:**

1978 Abitur (school-leaving exam) in Siegburg (North Rhine-Westphalia)  
1983 Master craftsman's certificate in butchery

**Career progression:**

1984 – 1990 Member of the management of Mainfrost Tiefkühlkost GmbH  
1989 – 2009 Head of the private school J. A. Heyne GmbH & Co.KG in Frankfurt  
1993 – 1999 Voluntary member of the Frankfurt am Main city council  
1995 – 2002 Managing director and shareholder of Fleischfeinkost Schäfer GmbH  
Since 1999 Member of the state parliament of Hesse  
2001 – 2009 Secretary General and managing director of the CDU in Hesse  
2004 – 2009 Economic policy spokesman for the CDU parliamentary group  
2009 – 2014 Hessian State Minister for Federal Affairs and representative of the state of Hesse to the federal government  
2014 – April 2020 Head of the CDU parliamentary group in the state parliament of Hesse  
2014 to present Managing director and shareholder of J. A. Heyne GmbH & Co.KG (stepping down from the management board when he became a cabinet member)  
Since April 3, 2020 Minister of Finance of Hesse

**Membership of other statutory German supervisory boards:**

- Messe Frankfurt GmbH, Frankfurt am Main (member of the Supervisory Board)
- Hessische Staatsweingüter GmbH, Kloster Eberbach (Chairman of the Supervisory Board)
- Zentralgenossenschaft des deutschen Fleischerhandwerks eG (Zentrag), Frankfurt am Main (Chairman of the Supervisory Board)
- Landesbank Hessen-Thüringen (member of the Supervisory Board)