

THOMAS KONIETZKO

CV



Education

1982	High School Diploma
1984 - 1988	Institute for Teachers-Education Weißenfels (extra-occupational study)
1988	University degree

Career

1984 - 1989	Full time Canoe coach at KC Jessnitz
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He worked as a full-time coach from 1984 - 1988 in a Canoe Club until the reunification of the two German states. With the loss of his job due to the dissolution of all coaching positions in the club sector in the former GDR, he was forced to reorientate himself.

Thomas has shown himself to be an excellent leader, not only through a lifetime dedicated to the sport of canoeing, but also through an extremely successful private business which he founded himself.

1990-present	Founding of his first company
	Founding of a marketing company - Media GmbH - Gesellschaft für Außenwerbung Wolfen and owner of several other companies.

From humble beginnings, the company has grown from just a handful of staff, to a successful international business employing hundreds of employees.

2010	took over the Presidency of the German Canoe Federation
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He introduced a separate management structure for each of his companies and has since worked as chairman of the supervisory board of his company group. This company structure gives him the opportunity to take on the challenges of his numerous honorary offices.

Sports Administration

Thomas has devoted much of his life to canoeing, first as a coach, then as a coach, and more recently as an administrator. His passion for the sport and the respect he has from his colleagues at local, national and international levels, is reflected not only in his results, but also in the roles he has been elected and re-elected to.

1999 - 2006	President, Bitterfeld District Sports Association Executive Committee of State Canoe Association of Saxony- Anhalt, Vice-president for competitive sports
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2005 - 2010	Chairman and vice-president German Canoe Association
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- 2008 - 2010 Member German Canoe Federation anti-doping working group
- 2010 - 2021 President German Canoe Association
- 2011 - 2016 European Canoe Association board (2011 - 2016).
German National Olympic Committee High-Performane Committee
- 2012 - 2021 ICF board member
- 2013 Co-organiser - ICF Canoe Sprint World Championships
- 2013 - 2016 ICF Board of Directors, European representative
- 2014 - 2015 ICF Canoe Sprint Olympic Program Commission Chair
- 2016 - 2021 ICF vice-president
- 2021-present ICF President
Honorary President, German Canoe Association

Sports practiced Canoe sprint

Awards and Distinctions

Thomas has been recognized for his tireless efforts to promote canoe sports with several top-level awards. The awards reflect his professionalism and his commitment at all levels of his career.

- 2009 Honorary President County Sports Federation Saxonia-Anhalt
- 2011 Gold badge of honour Federal Sports Association Saxonia-Anhalt
- 2016 Honorary member ECA Board
- 2018 Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany

Sports Career 1978 – 1984 Canoe sprint athletes

1984 – 1990 Canoe sprint coach