

The Otto Wolff Foundation and the Amerika Haus e.V. NRW, in cooperation with the IHK zu Köln, cordially invite you to the annual Otto Wolff-Lecture.

**“Longstanding Partners in Changing Times:
The Future of German-American Relations”**

with

Karen Donfried

President of the German Marshall Fund of the United States, Washington D.C.

Wednesday, September 16, 2015 | 7 PM

IHK Köln | Unter Sachsenhausen 10-26 | Cologne

As much as ever, strong transatlantic relations matter. Cooperation between Europe and the United States is vital not only to manage day-to-day business and economic and security crises, but also to build a new global order to improve the increasingly fragile and ineffective structures built after World War II. Central to that strong transatlantic bond is the relationship between Germany and the United States. These two countries have been steadfast allies for 60 years, but their bilateral ties would benefit from a reassessment of what binds them and why continued strong cooperation benefits both sides. Dr. Karen Donfried looks forward to discussing this future at the Otto Wolff-Lecture.



Karen Donfried is president of The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF). Before assuming this role in April 2014, Donfried was the special assistant to the President and senior director for European affairs on the National Security Council at the White House. In that capacity, she was the President's principal advisor on Europe and led the interagency process on the development and implementation of the President's European policies. Prior to the White House, Donfried served as the national intelligence officer (NIO) for Europe on the National Intelligence Council, the intelligence community's center for strategic thinking. As NIO, she directed and drafted strategic analysis to advance senior policymakers' understanding of Europe. Donfried first joined GMF in 2001 after having served for ten years as a European specialist at the Congressional Research Service. From 2003 to 2005, she was responsible for the Europe portfolio on the U.S. Department of State's Policy Planning Staff. Her second term of service at GMF was 2005 to 2010, first as senior director of policy programs and then as executive vice president. Donfried is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations, vice-chair of the World Economic Forum's Global Agenda Council on the United States, and a member of U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry's Foreign Affairs Advisory Board.

The event will be moderated by **Dr. Christoph von Marshall**, chief editor at *Der Tagesspiegel*, Berlin. He served as bureau chief of *Der Tagesspiegel* in Washington DC from 2005-2013 when he was the only German on the White House Press Corps. Von Marshall also writes for major magazines including *Die ZEIT*, *Cicero*, and the *Atlantic Times*.

The event will be held in English. We look forward to an interesting and insightful evening and to welcoming you to this year's Otto Wolff-Lecture.

Best regards,



Dr. Franz Schoser
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Lecture & Discussion

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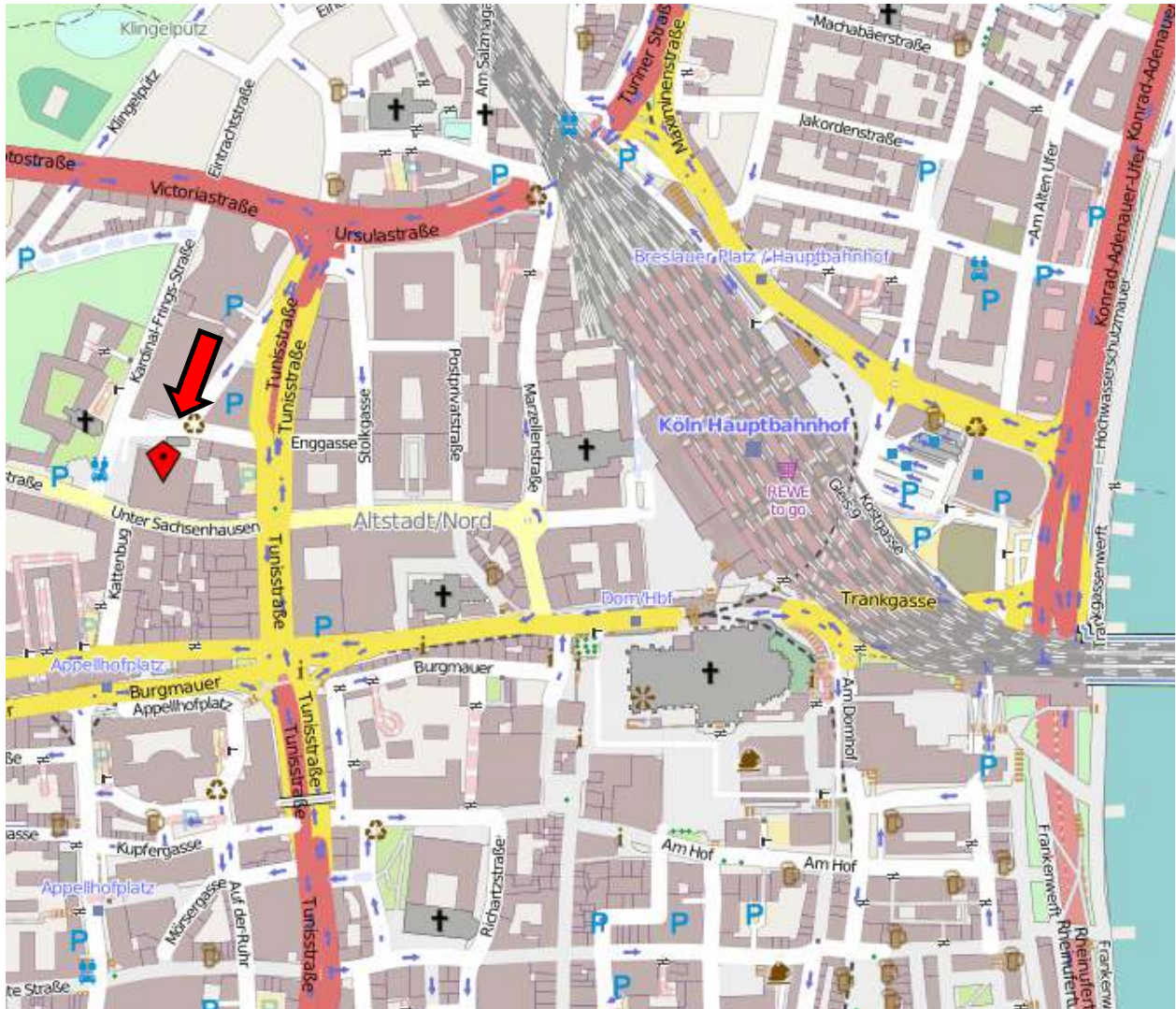
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Map and Directions

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Parking:

You can park at the parking garage "Börsenplatz". The parking garage is open from 6AM until 10 PM. You can still leave the garage after closing time (10PM).

Public Transportation:

The closest station is "Appellhofplatz". You can take train lines 3, 4, 5, 16 or 18. From there, follow the signs to IHK Köln/Verwaltungsgericht.