

Key Speakers

Yet again, we were able to win excellent speakers for this year's show. Look forward to the following contributors which are just a few of those that participate for the very first time in Munich. On the following two pages you find more top-class speakers, both German and from other countries.



Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Hankel

Prof. Dr. Wilhelm Hankel - first chief economist of the KfW Bank Group, afterwards Director of the Department for "Money and Credit" with the Federal Ministry of Economics (under Prof. Karl Schiller) and "Alternate Governor" of the IWF (IMF), President of the Hessian State Bank from 1972 to 1974, Currency Advisor of the then EWG (EEC) - teaches Currency and Developmental Politics at the Goethe-University of Frankfurt/ Main since 1967 (retired in 2007). He was a visiting professor at the US-Universities of Harvard, Georgetown, John Hopkins and the Science Center Berlin. He advised governments and central banks in more than 20 countries (amongst others China, Russia, Georgia, the Far East and Latin-America). These days he is reorganizing the Syrian Central Bank in Damascus. Together with three colleagues Prof. Hankel filed a constitutional complaint against the implementation of the Euro. His latest book "Die EURO-Lüge und andere volkswirtschaftliche Märchen" ("The Euro Lie and other economic fairytales") deals with deficit financing and the issue of retirement pay.



John Kaiser

John Kaiser is an independent analyst that focuses on the industry of junior resource companies since 1983. He left the brokerage industry in 1994 after a decade as Research Director in Vancouver to launch his market letter "Kaiser Bottom-Fishing Report" and to apply the strategy of "Bottom Fishing" (cheap collection) on Canadian companies. This eventually developed into the Kaiser Bottom-Fish Online Report and Kaiser created a "rational speculation model" as means for the determination of the speculative value of exploration stocks. Kaiser Bottom-Fish Online publishes recommendations, provides information on more than 1.500 Canadian listed junior mining and exploration companies. Furthermore he follows trends in the junior industry and their connections to macro-trends. John Kaiser is one of the few independent analysts with profound knowledge of diamond exploration. He is a coveted speaker at conferences and private venues in North America and Europe and publishes his articles online and in the print media.



Prof. Max Otte

Matthias aka "Max" Otte is Professor of General and International Business Administration, specified in Corporate Finance at the Technical College Worms University of Applied Sciences. Parts of his work field are: International capital markets, stock analysis and asset management, issues of global economics as well as post-merger-integration regarding transborder mergers and company culture. Mr. Otte is sole shareholder and Director of "Institut für Vermögensentwicklung GmbH" (Institute for Asset Development Corp.) that advises private investors concerning asset diversification and portfolio structuring. The IFVE GmbH advises the Pléiade Private Investors Fund since 2005. Mr. Otte is President of the executive board of "Privatinvestor Verwaltungs AG" (Private Investor Management Corp.) in Herdern, Switzerland, since 2005. Being an investment banker, he also lead management-buy-ins, company sales and company financings. He has published more than a dozen books, amongst others his best seller "Der Crash kommt" ("The Crash is coming"/ "Bound to crash").



Dr. Thorsten Polleit

Thorsten Polleit is Chief German Economist with Barclays Capital since October 2000. Before that he worked for ABN AMRO in Frankfurt/ Main, London and Amsterdam and became Chief German Economist of ABN AMRO Germany Corp. in March of 1998. Mr. Polleit has studied Business Sciences at the Westphalian Wilhelms-University in Muenster and earned his doctorate in 1995. He founded the "<u>ECB Observer</u>" in 2000, an independent watch group for the European Central Bank and is a member of the "<u>ECB Shadow Council</u>" since 2002. Thorsten Polleit was appointed Honorary Professor of the Frankfurt School of Finance & Management in 2003. He is a member of the Friedrich-August-von-Hayek-Society and the research network "<u>Research on Money in the Economy</u>" (ROME). His main focuses are on monetary economy, especially fiscal theory and politics as well as capital markets theory.



Peter Richardson

Peter Richardson received his first acknowledgment for his high quality commodity analyses after having been with Potter Warburg of Australia for six months only. He was voted Australia's Number One Analyst by Business Review Weekly. In the years of 1991 to 1996 he was regularly voted one of the best three commodity analysts of Australia by the BRW study and the subsequent Reuters Survey for instrumental analysts. After his move to London he got into the mines and metals team of SBC Warburg, London, and contributed significantly to achieving Best Research Team in the European Institutional Investors Study from 1997 to 1999. In 1999 he left for Deutsche Bank in London. He also contributed to the European and international mines team on becoming second runner-up three times in a row in the European Institutional Investors Study. Since his return to Australia in 2001 he was voted best commodity analyst by the BRW Study and the Reuters Study, as well as second runner-up analyst by the Financial Mail Survey (FMS) of South Africa. In 2005 and 2006 he achieved Best Commodity Research with his colleague Andrew Jackson for Deutsche Bank. Also in 2006 he achieved Deutsche Bank second runner-up for Research and Trade in Australia's Asia Money Survey.



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