

**Dr Karl Jörg Pirrung, Ministerialrat,**  
 born 27 March 1940 in Marburg/Lahn  
 married  
 two sons

1963	1st state examination in law, Marburg/Lahn
1964/1965	Studies at the faculty of law, Bordeaux University
1968	2nd state examination in law, Berlin
1971	Doctorate, Marburg/Lahn
18.10.1968	Academic assistant at the University of Marburg (Department of Civil Law and Institute for Procedural Law, under Professor P. Schlosser)
1.11.1972	Public prosecutor in the Hessen Justice Department, while on secondment to the Federal Ministry of Justice
13.8.1974	Public prosecutor at the Landgericht Frankfurt-am-Main (regional court), while on secondment to the Federal Ministry of Justice
6.5.1976	Regierungsdirektor, Federal Ministry of Justice
1.4.1988	Ministerialrat, Federal Ministry of Justice
since 1.2.1997	Head of Subdivision I A (Civil law) at the Federal Ministry of Justice

## Appointments at the Federal Ministry of Justice

1.11.1972 – 24.5.1983	Consultant – International law of civil procedure, legal aid, filiation law, special responsibility for international private law reform
25.5.1983 – 9.5.1984	Head of unit International private law reform
10.5.1984 – 31.1.1997	Head of unit – International private law. In this capacity, responsible for the 1986 revision of legislation on international private law; preparation of opinions and representation of the Federal Republic of Germany before the European Court of Justice in preliminary ruling procedures on the Convention on Jurisdiction and Enforcement
Summer 1991 to Autumn 1992	Helped to set up the German Foundation for International Legal Cooperation e.V. (registered society)
since 1.2.1997	Head of Subdivision I A (Civil Law).

## Outside appointments

Summer semester 1985	Lectured on international procedural law at the Philipps University, Marburg
June 1990	Elected deputy chairman of the Special Commission of The Hague Conference on International Private Law with the task of drawing up a Convention on the adoption of children from abroad (Convention signed on 26.5.1993)
June to October 1992	Supplementary work for the German Foundation for International Legal Cooperation e.V.
December 1993	Elected member of the Governing Council of Unidroit (International Institute for the Unification of Private Law, Rome)
May 1994	Elected Chairman of the Special Commission of The Hague Conference with the task of drawing up a revised Convention on the Protection of Infants (Convention signed on 19.10.1996)
since 1996	Member of the academic advisory panel to the German Institute of Notaries on international private law

## Languages

Fluent English and French. Some Dutch and Italian.

Publications

Arbitration after the World Bank Convention on Investment Disputes. Papers on Procedural Law, volume 29, Berlin 1972

International Private and Procedural Law following entry into force of the new IPL legislation, Cologne, 1987

The introduction of the EC Convention on Contractual Obligations into national law, in European Community Law and IPL, Cologne 1991, pp. 21 to 70

Various essays on international private and procedural law, i.a. in *Rebels Zeitschrift* 1991, pp. 211 to 239 (Treaty of State Unity and the conflict of law) and 1993, pp. 124 to 154 (Custody and Adoption Conventions), *The Practice of International Private and Procedural Law*, *The Joint Stock Company*, *International Trade Law*, *German Bailiffs' Magazine*

Contributions to symposia and festschriften (Ferid, van Rijn van Alkemade, Droz) and to commentaries (Schlosser, *International Arbitration Law*, 1975; Bülow-Böckstiegel, *International Legal Relations*; Pirrung et al., *The Family in International Private Law*; Staudinger, *Commentary on the Civil Code with introductory and secondary legislation*).

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