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Dr. Werner Brandt is leaving his position as chairman of DPR e.V. at the end of his regular term of office in May 2016 after twelve years

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Dr. Rolf Pohlig, former chief financial officer of RWE, has been nominated to succeed Dr. Werner Brandt.

“After serving as chairman and member of the Nomination Committee for a total of twelve years,” said Dr. Werner Brandt, “I am going to leave my position with the FREP at the end of my regular term of office on 13 May 2016. Although my close relationship with the FREP has made this decision, which was taken some time ago, a difficult one, I think that now, at the end of my fourth full term of office, is a good time to hand over my duties. I am very pleased that the FREP’s Governing Board has unanimously decided to nominate Dr. Rolf Pohlig for appointment as my successor by the General Assembly of DPR e.V. on 2 May.

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“The FREP,” the president of the enforcement panel, Professor Dr. Edgar Ernst, stated, “immensely regrets Dr. Werner Brandt’s decision and, at the same time, extends its sincerest gratitude to him for serving the FREP as chairman of the Governing Board and member of the Nomination Committee with enormous dedication on an honorary basis for twelve years. Dr. Brandt was also one of the key advocates of the private component in the design of the enforcement process in Germany. Particularly during the period before the association was founded in 2004 and the enforcement panel’s operations started in 2005, his opinion carried very significant weight in the discussions with the members of the Bundestag, the ministries of justice and finance, and the industry associations, and was ultimately adopted once the various possible structures had been considered”.

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