



# Advisory Board on Sustainability BVT Holding GmbH & Co. KG

Within the framework of its environmental, social and governance (ESG) measures, the BVT Group is supported by an independent Advisory Board on Sustainability. BVT thus underscores how important the criteria of environmental and social compatibility and good corporate governance are across the company's entire value chain process. It is the responsibility of the Advisory Board on Sustainability to advise the BVT Group on aligning its investment and company policies in keeping with the requirements of investors seeking sustainable investments and in compliance with the targets defined by the United Nations and the European Union regarding environmental, social and corporate governance.

The Advisory Board has been able to gain leading figures from the business, church and science sectors:



**Karsten Müller-Uthoff, Committee spokesman**, works as a self-employed consultant and serves on the advisory/supervisory boards of various finance

and real estate companies. The business school graduate and tax consultant was CEO of the Lower Saxony Doctors' Pension Fund (Ärzteversorgung Niedersachsen) in Hanover from 1991 to 2015, and spokesman of the investment task force at ABV (Arbeitsgemeinschaft Berufsständischer Versorgungseinrichtungen e.V.) – a working group for pension schemes of the liberal professions for members of professional associations – in Berlin from 2000 to 2015. Before this he was active in investment divisions of renowned insurance and reinsurance companies. He started his career at Victoria Versicherungen in Düsseldorf in 1980.



**Dr. Ralph Poirel** has been Head of the Pastoral Division at the Secretariat of the German Bishops' Conference since 2012 and Chairman of

the Supervisory Board of the publishing house of the Catholic Bible Society (Verlag Katholisches Bibelwerk) since 2014 as well as Chairman of the Executive Board of the Klausenhof Academy Foundation (Stiftung Akademie Klausenhof) since 2017. Before completing his doctorate in Theology in 2012, he was an Africa expert at the Secretariat of the German Bishops' Conference in the World Church division. After studying Theology and Philosophy at the University of Bonn and at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, California, he began his career as a research associate at the Department of Dogmatics and Theological Propaedeutics in Bonn.



**Dr. Carsten Liesener** has been CEO for Siemens Smart Infrastructure in Europe since 2019. Over the past ten years, from his base in Switzerland, he has

taken on various global leadership roles at Siemens Building Technologies. After heading up the global fire safety business and later the entire product distribution, he was responsible for Europe from 2015 on as CEO of Building Technologies. Before his time in Switzerland, Dr. Liesener served at Siemens in the field of management consulting in various company projects around the world. He started his career at Bombardier in Berlin in 1993. Holder of a degree in Engineering, he graduated from the TU Berlin (Technische Universität Berlin) and received his doctorate from the University of Mannheim in Business Administration and Controlling.



**Prof. Eicke R. Weber** is President of the European Solar Manufacturing Council ESMC. From 2017 to 2018 he was Director/CEO of the Berkeley

Education Alliance for Research in Singapore (BEARS). From 2006 to 2017 he was at the helm of the Fraunhofer Institute for Solar Energy Systems ISE in Freiburg and held a professorship for physics/solar energy in the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics as well as in the Technical Faculty at the University of Freiburg. He has received numerous prizes and awards, including the Alexander von Humboldt Research Award (1994), the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany Ribbon (2006), the Electronics and Photonics Division Award of the Electrochemical Society ECS, San Francisco (2009) and the Walter Scheel Award (2015). Prof. Weber is a member of the supervisory boards and advisory committees of companies and government offices in the area of renewable energies and the transformation of our energy systems.