



### Expert on Economy and Finance

Oswald Metzger is one of Germany's most controversial politicians and a sought-after advisor on economics and finance. As an expert on small and medium-sized businesses, he stands up for freedom, competition and subsidiarity and is held in high esteem across party lines.

After studying law at the University of Tübingen, Oswald Metzger set up his own typing business in 1980. He initially found his political home in the SPD, which he left after five years of membership. From 1987 to 2007 he was a member of the Green Party. He became known nationwide as their budgetary spokesman in the German Bundestag from 1994 to 2002. From 2006 to 2008, he was a member of the state parliament of Baden-Württemberg and spokesman on financial policy for his parliamentary group. After leaving the Greens on the grounds that he could no longer support their economic and social policy course, Metzger has become a member of the CDU. Since then, he has been active in the Association of Small and Medium-Sized Businesses (MIT), and from 2010 to 2016 he was deputy state chair of the MIT Baden-Württemberg. Between 2011 and 2015, Metzger was also a member of the state executive committee of the CDU Baden-Württemberg.

From 2014 until its dissolution in 2017, he was also managing secretary of the Convention for Germany and, from 2014 to 2017, deputy chairman of the Ludwig Erhard Foundation. From 2016 to 2017, Oswald Metzger was editor-in-chief of the debate magazine *The European*, and since 2018 he has been the capital correspondent for *Tichys Einblick*, heading up its Berlin office since 2021.

Oswald Metzger is clear, critical and true to his convictions. Oswald Metzger is an inspiring speaker who provides valuable impulses.

#### Topics (Selection):

- The Future of the SME Sector
- Is Germany still competitive as a business location?
- Can reforms still be communicated?
- Demographic change