



Europe's leading Trend Researcher

Prof. Dr Horst Opaschowski is the face of futurology and is considered Europe's leading trend researcher. He is one of the most important futurologists and policy advisor for the German Federal Government as well as for various state ministries.

In his lectures, Prof. Opaschowski highlights fundamental structural changes in society, the economy and politics and points out new paths. His forecasts deal, for example, with social media and digital diets, with the population's growing loss of trust in politics or with the relevance of security in times of terrorist fears and insecurity.

Horst Opaschowski has an artistic training as an actor, was a teacher and research assistant, received his doctorate in 1968 from the University of Cologne, before he was commissioned in 1973 to develop a leisure policy concept for the Federal Government and was appointed professor at the University of Hamburg at the age of 33. There he was Director of the Department of Educational Science until 2006. From 1979 to 2010 he successfully headed the Foundation for Future Issues (formerly the BAT Leisure Research Institute). In 1992 he became chairman of the expert commission 'Work-Technology-Leisure' at the Federal Ministry of Education, Science and Research as well as an expert for the Federal Chancellery and advisor to the Office of the Federal President. Since 2011 he has worked as a futurologist, publicist and consultant for business and politics, and since 2014 he has been head of the Opaschowski Institute for Futurology in Hamburg.

Horst Opaschowski has received numerous awards for his work, including the Honorary Award of the Tourism Committee of the German Bundestag in 2007 and the Federal Cross of Merit 1st Class in 2010.

Topics (Selection):

- Life after Corona
- Markets of the Future
- Germany 2030
- Social Consequences of Migration