



Biography



Ute Klamert Assistant Executive Director Partnerships and Advocacy

Ute Klamert joined WFP as Assistant Executive Director for Partnerships and Advocacy in February 2019, leading the organization's engagement and resource mobilization activities with governments, United Nations agencies, private sector and other resource partners. In this role, expanding the partnerships and advocacy functional support to the WFP mandate, her priorities include diversification of funding sources by fostering engagement with IFIs and by creating an enabling organizational environment for specific niches such as thematic funding and climate action financing. Ms. Klamert also drives corporate communications and advocacy efforts to further WFP's mission of 'saving lives, changing lives'.

An organisational enabling environment includes development of systems and guidance but also of capacities. Ms. Klamert is committed to investing in the skills and capabilities of her staff as well as increasing diversity across the Partnerships and Advocacy Department.

Ms. Klamert brings some 30 years of experience in development cooperation, partnerships, resource mobilization, strategy and operations spanning the globe. Ms. Klamert previously served as Director General for the European, Mediterranean Region, and Central Asia Department with the German Corporation for International Cooperation (GIZ), managing complex change processes and overseeing strategic development of sectoral topics such as the humanitarian-development-peace nexus and innovative delivery modalities in fragile, conflict-affected and violent contexts, managing a billion Euros per annum and over 5,500 staff in decentralized and multi-disciplinary teams across seven divisions and 34 GIZ Country Offices.

Ms. Klamert also served on the German Commission on Root Causes of Displacement which developed proposals for the German Government to effectively mitigate the root causes of refugees' displacement.

A German national, Ms. Klamert holds a law degree from the University of Regensburg. She is married with two daughters, with whom she shares a love of skiing.