

American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine 2018 Board of Directors Elections



Martin Schuldt

Ukraine Country lead and General Manager

Cargill

Biography

Martin Schuldt started his career in Cargill in 1996 as a CMT in Salzgitter, Germany and spent most of his career in the various forms of Cargill's grain and oilseed businesses. In 2005 he moved to Bucharest / Romania and worked as a Commercial Manager (05-10) and as GOSCE Country Lead (10-14) for Romania Bulgaria. After that he moved back to Germany covering the origination activities of Cargill in Eastern Europe. Since June 2015 he is based in Kiev, Ukraine as GOSCE Country Lead and General Manager of Cargill AT. Martin graduate at the university in Kiel, Germany in Agricultural economics.

He was born in 1963, is married and having 2 kids.

Why do you think Membership in the American Chamber of Commerce in Ukraine is important for business operating in Ukraine?

We in Cargill believe that Ukrainian agriculture has tremendous growth potential. We want our company to be part of this growth. Cargill has been active in Ukraine for more than 20 years and we remain dedicated to this market. We have a long-term view and are continuously looking into new investment opportunities.



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What motivates you to be a Chamber Board Member?

Being here for so long we also see the weaknesses such as inefficiency of tax system or inconsistency of economic policies. We are deeply convinced that it is a role of international business community to support efforts undertaken to improve business climate in order to fuel further growth.

Why do you feel you are qualified to serve on the Chamber Board? What skills would you bring to the Board?

Being part of international company like Cargill, which I served for more than 20 years, I am able to bring a lot of technical expertise, but also leadership in pushing the change for the better Ukraine among the Administration and Associations.

How have you been active in the Chamber over the course of the last two years?

Cargill has always participated in Chamber activities since it was established. Also myself, since my early days in Ukraine I have been contributing to Chamber activities as a board member and as a Chair of the Agricultural and Seeds Committees, which are today one of the most active Committees in the Chamber.

What activity or Committee would you participate in and be responsible for?

I want to stay as a Chair for the Agricultural and the Seeds committees, as I see there my biggest contribution I could give due to my personal and company expertise.