

Curriculum Vitae

Dr. Sigurd Immanuel Rink



Born on 20 October 1960 in Frankfurt am Main

Married to Gabriele Rink, M.A., music pedagogue, teacher

Three adult children

Profession

Protestant Military Bishop for the Bundeswehr, since 15 July 2014

Provost of Southern Nassau, 2002 – 2014

(220 parishes, eight districts, 320 clergypersons)

Member of the governing body of the Protestant Church in Hesse and Nassau (EKHN), since 2009

Lectureship in theological ethics, *Evangelische Hochschule Darmstadt*, since 2002

Member of the Examination Office for Church History and Liturgics

Assistant to Church President Prof. Dr. Peter Steinacker, 1998 – 2002

Press spokesman for EKHN, 2000 – 2002

Parish minister in Usingen and Königstein-Falkenstein (Taunus), 1987 – 1998

Education

Abitur (university entrance qualification) at *Stiftsschule St. Johann* in Amöneburg, 1978

Head of reconciliation projects Pax Christi and Fellowship of Reconciliation in Northern Ireland, 1979 – 1983

University course of study in Protestant Theology in Marburg, Heidelberg and Munich, 1980 – 1986

Lecturers: Wilfried Härle, Christoph Schwöbel, Eilert Herms, Jörg Jeremias and others

Doctoral studies under Martin Greschat, Gießen University ("magna cum laude"), 1989 – 1993

Public relations course at *Gemeinschaftswerk der Evangelischen Publizistik*, graduation as Master of Communications, 1994 – 1996

Long-term training course "Leadership at the Medium Level", 1998 – 2000

Continual training courses, supervision and coaching

Publications

Sigurd Rink/Klaus Dieter Grunwald/Roger Töpelmann (Hrsg.): "Wiesbaden im Kirchenkampf 1933-1945". Predigt in der Marktkirche (Nassauer Landesdom), 2014.

Sigurd Rink/Benedikt Hensel: "Öffentliche Kirche – eine kirchenleitende Perspektive", in: Peter Scherle u.a. (editor): *Gott in der Öffentlichkeit. Herborner Beiträge Band 6*, 2013, p. 7-29.

Eugen Eckert/Sigurd Rink: "Sommerfrische für die Seele: Ein spiritueller Urlaubsführer", Kreuz Verlag, Freiburg 2012.

Author of morning services in Hessischer Rundfunk (hr2, 30-minute formats), since 2011.

Jan Hermelink/Sigurd Rink (editors and authors): "Evangelische Landeskirchen als Orte von Planung und theologischer Reflexion?", *Praktische Theologie* 4/2009.

"Gib mir deinen Weinberg! Oder: Ein Aufruf zur Gewaltenteilung am Rande der Weltwirtschaftskrise", in: Claudia Schulz/Gerhard Wegner (editors): "Wer hat, dem wird gegeben": Biblische Zumutungen über Armut und Reichtum, Neukirchen 2009.

"Auf ein Wort", column in the *Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* in 2007, 2008.

"Perspektiven des Pfarrberufs" (editor and co-author), Darmstadt 2006.

"Bildung und Diakonie: Die Bedeutung Philipps von Hessen für eine Kirche im 21. Jahrhundert", Darmstadt 2004.

"Kirchenleitung und Theologie" (co-editor), FS für Peter Steinacker, Marburg 2003.

"Wie eine Gemeinde wächst", Deutsches Pfarrerberblatt, 1/2000.

"Der Bevollmächtigte, Propst Grüber und die Regierung der DDR", Kohlhammer, 1996.

Mandates

Theological:

Chairman of the conventions of the *Evangelische Akademie Hessen-Nassau*, Frankfurt am Main (until 2014)

Commissioner of the Council of the Evangelical Church in Germany (EKD) for "the Role of the Church in Leisure and Tourism" (until 2014)

Vice-President of *Evangelischer Bund Bensheim*, sponsor of the Bensheim Institute for Inter-Confessional Research of the EKD

Member of the Meissen Commission (dialogue between the EKD and the Church of England)

Social:

Member of the administrative council of the *Evangelischer Verein für Innere Mission* (EVIM), Wiesbaden (until 2014)

Member of the Board of Trustees of *Johanniter-Unfallhilfe* (until 2012)

Member of the managing board of *Stiftung Diakoniewerk Friedenswarte*, Bad Ems (until 2014)

Societal:

Chair of the Protestant Airport Talks of the EKHN (until 2014)

Member of the advisory board for economic ethics to the *Frankfurter Rundschau* (until 2008)

Theological advisor to the Working Group of Protestant Entrepreneurs (until 2012)

Church leadership:

Head of the *Lebensordnungskommission* of the EKHN

Responsibility for the partnership with the United Church of Christ, New York State, with the church districts in Frankfurt am Main and Wiesbaden (founded in 2007)

Commitments

Co-founder and preacher of the *Bachvespern Frankfurt/Wiesbaden* (200 Bach cantatas at church services)

Head of the DITIB cooperation of the EKHN with the province of Bursa in Turkey

Head of the Ecumenical Forum of the churches at the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the Middle Rhine Valley

Initiator and head of an annual graduates' college at the EKHN

"Exhibition of Ideas" for the development of the church, "*Lust auf Gemeinde*", Wiesbaden 2009 and 2012

Hobbies

Playing the drums (classical and modern), Georg Büchner, mountain hiking, cycling, swimming.