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Dr. med. Hans Groth, MBA is the Chairman of the Board of the World Demographic & Ageing Forum (WDA Forum) and President of the Academia Engelberg Foundation – a Swiss platform for dialogue between science & society. In addition, he is member of the Board of Directors of RehaClinic Bad Zurzach AG - a Switzerland-based chain of rehabilitation clinics. Since 2009, Dr. Groth has been a permanent guest lecturer at the University of St. Gallen (HSG)/Switzerland with the topic “Megatrend: Global Demographic Change”.

Till 2012 Hans Groth has been working with Pfizer Inc. for twenty-four years. He has comprehensive experience in over 30 healthcare markets including Western Europe, Eastern Europe, the USA and Canada. His responsibilities have included medical affairs, clinical research, regulatory, marketing & sales as well as international public affairs including negotiating pricing & access conditions with government authorities, NGOs as well as healthcare payers.

In 2003, he was appointed “Pfizer Global Health Fellow” by UNAIDS to conduct case studies in Central Asia and Siberia in order to quantify the threat potential of HIV/AIDS/TB in that region. For his ongoing commitment towards supporting public health infrastructure projects in Southeast Siberia and Kirgizstan, he received in 2008 the “Pfizer Global Health Fellow Award”.

For the past fourteen years, Dr. Groth has been studying the interaction between global demographic change, economic development, wealth and societal stability (c.f. “Europe’s Demographic Challenge - Unlocking the Value of Health” Hans Groth & Nicholas Eberstadt, 2007, “Population Dynamics in Muslim Countries – Assembling the Jigsaw” Hans Groth & Alfonso Sousa-Poza, 2012). The focus of his research has built upon theories of economic development & productivity and employing the value of health, education and progress in societal governance as sustainable tools to unlock new ways to tackle the imminent challenges of demographic change.

Dr. Groth is married with two adult children. He has dual citizenship of Switzerland and Germany.