

Jochen Witt
Curriculum vitae

- 1952 Born in Schwerin (Mecklenburg), Germany
- 1971 Abitur (University Entrance Examination) Grammar School in Moers
- 1971-1973 German Naval service in Glückstadt, Eckernförde, Wilhelmshaven
- 1973-1979 Studied law at Göttingen University, graduated with 1st State examination
- 1979-1980 Sabbatical year
- 1980-1983 Practical training period at the Hamburg Higher Regional Court
Passed 2nd State Examination, with sessions in the German town of Detmold and Speyer, as well as in Sri Lanka
- 1983-1986 Lawyer in Hamburg

Taxation department at Wintershall AG, Kassel
- 1990-1990 Taxation department at BASF AG, Ludwigshafen
- 1990-1993 Head of the taxation department at Wintershall AG and Kali und Salz AG in Kassel
- 1993-1998 Management Spokesman for the Potash Company of Canada, Toronto
- 1998 Member of the management of Wingas GmbH, Kassel
- 1st September 1998 joined the management of KölnMesse GmbH
- 1st October 1998 assumed the position of KölnMesse President and CEO

Member of the management committee of UFI, the Global Association of the Exhibition Industry

Member of the economic advisory committee of the Stadtparkasse (savings bank)
- 1999 election to the executive board of AUMA – Association of the German Trade Fair Industry

Committee member of the Dutch-German Chamber of Commerce

Vice president of the German-British Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- 1999-2004 UFI European Chapter Chairman

- 2000 Member of the Full Assembly of the Cologne Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- Member of the German Photography Society
- Member of the German-Canadian Society
- Committee on Economic Development and Planning of the Chamber of Industry and Commerce, Cologne
- Board of Trustees of the OFW –Organization Forum for the World Business Dialogue
- 2001 Member of the UFI Business Management Committee
- 2004 UFI Executive Vice President