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Christian Strube



Christian Strube was born on 13 October 1963 in Lower Saxony. He studied marine engineering at Flensburg University of Applied Sciences. His professional career began in 1991 as an administrator at Volkswagen Kraftwerk GmbH.

In 1993 he transferred to Volkswagen AG where he devoted himself to the construction and integration of the heating and air conditioning unit in the Passat B5. Three years later, he was involved with the interior of the Golf/Golf variant, Jetta and Bora variant as the specialist group spokesperson.

From 1998 – as the head of department for Passenger Car Restraint Systems – he worked on developing and establishing pedestrian protection measures both for the Volkswagen Group and the brand.

From 2001, Strube worked at Volkswagen Mexico S.A. de C.V. as head of department for Body and Interior. The development of the New Beetle convertible was underway during this time. Two years later, he returned to Wolfsburg where he was responsible for passenger car crash tests at Volkswagen AG. One of his tasks here was to ensure that 5-star results were achieved in the Euro NCAP crash tests for each model.

Between 2006 and 2008, Strube managed the conceptual vehicle design of the Polo series, Passat B7, Touareg, up! and Sharan. He subsequently led the interior series development of the Volkswagen Jetta A6, Beetle NF, Passat B7, up!, Sharan and Touareg.

From 2010 he worked as head of Concept Development on the modular transverse matrix (MQB) and on the design of various vehicles, including the Golf A7 and Passat B8, Touran and Tiguan as well as the different models for export markets.

In September 2012, Strube continued the series development of these and other model lines as head of Assembly Development at Volkswagen.

Effective as of 1 December, 2015, Christian Strube was appointed Member of the Board at ŠKODA AUTO a.s. in Mladá Boleslav, Czech Republic, with responsibility for Technical Development.



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Board Member for Technical Development at ŠKODA AUTO a.s. (since 1 December, 2015)

Professional background

- › Administrator, Volkswagen Kraftwerk GmbH, Wolfsburg (1991–1993)
- › Constructor heating/air-conditioning Passat B5, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (1993–1996)
- › Specialist group spokesperson for the interiors of Golf and Golf variant A4, Jetta A4 and Bora variant A4, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (1996–1998)
- › Department head for passenger car restraint systems, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (1998–2001)
- › Head of Body and Interior, Volkswagen de México S.A. de C.V. (2001–2003)
- › Head of passenger car crash tests, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (2003–2006)
- › Head of Vehicle Design, incl. Polo, Passat B7, Touareg, up! und Sharan, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (2006–2008)
- › Head of equipment development (incl. interiors of Jetta A6, Beetle NF, Passat B7, up!, Sharan, Touareg), Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (2008–2010)
- › Head of concept development, incl. conceptualizing the MQB, models Golf A7, Passat B8, Sportsvan, Touran, Tiguan, C-class China, B-SUV, Lamando China, as well as various show cars, Volkswagen AG, Wolfsburg (2010–2012)
- › Head of entire assembly development for all Volkswagen passenger car models, Volkswagen, Wolfsburg (2012–2015)
- › Board Member for Technical Development, ŠKODA AUTO a.s. (since December 2015)

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