

**Curriculum Vitae:  
Lieutenant General Hans-Otto Budde,  
Chief of Staff, Army**



Lieutenant General Hans-Otto Budde was born on March 6th, 1948, in Kirchohsen (Lower Saxony). He is married and has two children.

**Promotions:**

1969 Second Lieutenant  
1971 First Lieutenant  
1975 Captain  
1981 Major  
1986 Lieutenant Colonel  
1990 Colonel  
1995 Brigadier General  
2001 Major General  
2004 Lieutenant General

**Medals and Decorations:**

Bundeswehr Cross of Honour, Gold Version  
Bundeswehr Service Medal, SFOR  
Ordre National de la Légion d'Honneur (French Officer's Cross)

**Military Career:**

- 1966 to 1972, Joined the Bundeswehr serving in Paratroop Battalion 313. Officer Courses in Hamburg, Hannover und Munich
- 1972 to 1974, Platoon Commander in Paratroop Battalion 313 respectively 272 and S2-Officer in Paratroop Battalion 272 in Wildeshausen
- 1974 to 1978, Commander, 3rd Company/Paratroop Battalion 272 in Wildeshausen

- 1978 to 1980, General Staff Training at the Bundeswehr Command and Staff College
- 1980 to 1982, G2-Staff Officer in 1. Airborne Division in Bruchsal
- 1982 to 1983, General Staff Training at the Combined General Staff College in Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, USA
- 1983 to 1986, G3-Staff Officer in Mechanized Infantry Brigade 31 in Oldenburg
- 1986 to 1988, Commander, Mechanized Infantry Battalion 82, Lüneburg
- 1988 to 1990, Assistant Branch Chief in the Ministry of Defence (Fü S und P III) in Bonn
- 1990 to 1991, Chief of Staff, 5. Tank Division in Diez
- 1991 to 1995, Branch Chief in the Ministry of Defence (Personnel Directorate) in Bonn
- 1995 to 1997, Commander, DEU/FRA Brigade in Müllheim; during that period, from January until July 1997, Commander Multinational Brigade Center (SFOR) in Rajlovac, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- 1997 to 2001, Chief of Staff, IV. (GE) Corps in Potsdam
- 2001 to 2002, Commander, Special Operations Division in Regensburg
- 2002 to 2004, Chief of Staff, Army Staff, in the Ministry of Defence, Bonn
- Since March 2004, Chief of Staff, Army