



## Prof. Dr. Klaus Töpfer

**Expert on the Environment and Sustainable Development**

*"Widely recognized as having spearheaded environmental policy as Minister of Environment"*

Professor Klaus Töpfer has earned enormous respect, both as a German government minister, handling portfolios such as environmental protection, town planning and construction, and in the international arena as the Executive Director of UNEP, the United Nations Environmental Programme.

### TOPICS:

- Climate Change
- Renewable Energies
- The Future of the Environment
- Sustainable Development
- Globalization

### LANGUAGES:

He presents in English and German.

### IN DETAIL:

Over the years, Professor Töpfer has held several high-level positions in national and international environmental policy. He was Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Under-Secretary-General of the United Nations. He was appointed German Minister for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety from 1987 to 1994 and subsequently Minister for Regional Planning, Housing and Urban Development. Since 2007, Mr. Töpfer has also been Professor of Environment and Sustainable Development at Tongji University in Shanghai.

### WHAT HE OFFERS YOU:

Prof. Töpfer explains in detail his vision of a social market economy and his strategies to make the environment work to improve the lives of present and future generations. He explains how the environment is not a hindrance for economic development and how protection of natural resources and regulations on the use of harmful substances trigger technology development and create exciting new opportunities, markets and jobs.

### HOW HE PRESENTS:

An experienced teacher and engaging speaker, Prof. Töpfer challenges audiences with his hard hitting yet inspirational presentations.