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Gabriel Felbermayr became Director of the Austrian Institute of Economic Research (WIFO) and Professor at the Vienna University of Economics and Business (WU) in October 2021.

Professor Gabriel Felbermayr, PhD, was born in June 1976 in Steyr, Austria.

After studying Economics and Trade at the University of Linz, he went to Florence, Italy, to pursue his doctoral studies. From 2004 to 2005, he was an Associate Consultant with McKinsey & Co. in Vienna. From 2005 to 2008, he was Assistant Professor at the University of Tübingen. From 2009 to 2010, he held a chair in International Economics at the University of Hohenheim (Stuttgart). From 2010 to 2019, he led the ifo Center for International Economics at the University of Munich, where he also served as a full professor in International Economics. From 2019 till September 2021 he was President of the Kiel Institute for the World Economy and held a chair in Economics and Economic Policy at Kiel University (CAU).

Gabriel Felbermayr holds various roles and positions. The most important are: member of the Scientific Advisory Board of the German Federal Ministry of Economic Affairs and Climate Action; Associate Editor, European Economic Review; Associate Editor, Journal of the European Economic Association.

His research and advisory activities focus on questions of economic global governance, European economic integration, and German economic policy. He has published a large number of papers in international scientific journals, in policy briefs, and newspapers. His research has been recognized with various awards.