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## Bernard Schmidl

I began playing standing volleyball at the end of 1988 and those who had the greatest influence on me and my development were Manfred Kohl and Athanasios Papageorgiou.

Player role and contribution to standing volleyball was at the following events for the German international team:

1989 European Championship 1st

1990 World Championship 1st

1991 World Championship 2nd

1992 Paralympics 1st

1993 European Championship 1st

1994 World Championship 2nd

1995 European Championship 1st

1996 Pre-Paralympics 1st

1996 Paralympics 1st

1997 Pan-AM Open World Cup 2nd

1998 World Championship 2nd

1999 Pan-AM Open World Cup 4th

2000 Paralympics 1st

Retired after the 2000 Paralympics in Sydney

Awards received:

All Star 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2000; 5th place in the election for the German Volleyballer of the Year 2000; Awarded 1992, 1996, 2000 with the Silver Laurel Leaf, the highest award a sportsman can achieve in Germany; various national and local awards.

Post held:

Athletes Representative at national level as Deputy Chairman of the Athletes Committee of NPC Germany (1996-2000)

