

Astrid Lurati, born in Minden in 1966, has served as Hospital Director and member of the Executive Board of the Charité – Universitätsmedizin Berlin since the 15th May 2016. In this position, she is particularly responsible for the advancement of patient care within the overall strategic development of the Charité.

Mrs. Lurati studied Business Economics at the University of Hamburg, qualifying in 1994 with a degree in Business Administration. Following this, in 1998 she received a Master of Pharmaceutical Medicine from the University of Witten/Herdecke.

Mrs. Lurati's professional career began in 1986 in Hamburg where she embarked on an apprenticeship in Hotel Business Management at the "Vier Jahreszeiten" Hotel. On completion of this training, Mrs. Lurati was employed for some time within the banking sector, where she worked in the Department of Corporate Finance und Equity Research advising the chemical and pharmaceutical industry. From 1997, she was employed at the Bayer AG, Leverkusen where she headed the Department of Strategic Planning, later moving to the Department of Investor Relations. In 2003, Mrs. Lurati returned to Hamburg where she would spend the next thirteen years of her professional career working at the University Medical Center Hamburg-Eppendorf (UKE). This phase of her professional life began with a year as Department Business Director following which she was swiftly promoted to the position of Head of Hospital Financing. Subsequently in 2007, she became Deputy Commercial Director of the UKE. During this period, she also served intermittently as Acting Commercial Director.

Mrs. Lurati is a founding member of „Hamburg macht Kinder gesund“, an association that provides financial assistance for seriously ill children whose medical treatment is not covered by standard health insurance. She is also an Executive Board member of "Stiftung für Gesundheit und Hochbegabung", a foundation that supports intellectually gifted individuals. In addition, she is a member of the Economic Board of the Christian Democratic Party (CDU) and for an interim period, she served as a member of the CDU Executive Board in Hamburg.

Mrs. Lurati is married with three daughters.