

Introducing our GABWA founder.

Katrin Reichert



Katrin was born in **East Germany** and lived in various cities before leaving Germany for good (Leipzig, Hamburg, Oberhausen, Sonthofen, Munich, Murnau, Erfurt and Ingolstadt). She moved to Australia in **2013**, where she has lived in **Brisbane, Sydney**, and now **Newcastle**. Katrin is a former Military Police Officer that has a master's degree in education and business administration and has held a number of positions in Business and Human Resources (HR) Management. Katrin is founder of a service provider start-up in the Funeral industry. Since having a family, she has been working in **her own business** in property management and development.

Coming to Australia as a migrant Katrin often thought how helpful it would be if she could just talk to someone that would understand her situation firsthand and assist her in getting started with life in another country, from visa choices to scoring a job or start your own business. So, in **2015** she decided to establish an institution for women from Germany that would do exactly that – **GABWA** – an organisation that enables women of the same heritage, facing the same challenges and sharing the same passion, to connect with like-minded women here in Australia. Over the years she established branches in Sydney, Brisbane, Melbourne, and Hobart with the help of **incredibly talented female leaders** in each city.

Katrin is very passionate about getting involved in her local community and really enjoys cooking and travelling. She loves the Australian outback and her dream is living there for a while once she retires.