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Monika Breuch-Moritz is a German meteorologist. She started her career in the German Weather Service (DWD) in 1977. From 1989 until 2008, she worked in the German Federal Ministry of Transport in various leading positions. She is particularly dedicated to subjects like the protection of the marine environment, climate change and its impact on society. When she switched to the shipping directorate, she worked as head of section "Climate and Maritime Environment Protection" for 10 years.

In 2008, she became President of the Federal Maritime and Hydrographic Agency (BSH) in Hamburg, Germany. She retired in 2018. All these years, she was very much engaged in bringing forward and enforcing international conventions regarding reduction of pollution and emissions from ships, particularly in the International Maritime Organisation (IMO). From 2016 to 2021, she was one of the IMO Goodwill Maritime Ambassadors. Cleaner Oceans, the protection of the marine environment and sustainable use of the oceans still are her key targets. From 2017 to 2021, she was a Vice Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission (IOC) of UNESCO.

Breuch-Moritz has been a member of various Scientific and Technical Advisory Boards in Ocean Science and Marine Environment Organisations, in Boards of Marine and Maritime Foundations, in Rotary International and in the Women's International Shipping and Trading Organisation (WISTA).