



## Sami Khedira

**08/10/2020** He is a successful professional footballer and a World Cup winner with the German team but his heart beats for more than his sport. As the Ambassador of the Porsche "Turbo for Talents", youth development programme, Sami Khedira has been passing on his wealth of experience as a professional sportsman to up-and-coming youngsters since 2018.

Brought up in Stuttgart and supported as a youngster at TV Oeffingen and VfB Stuttgart until 2010, Sami Khedira has a deep regional bond with his hometown and the clubs there – and he knows from his own experience just how valuable a professional youth programme can be on the long road from being a young player to becoming a professional athlete.

The 33-year went through the junior and youth ranks at VfB Stuttgart, made his Bundesliga debut in 2006 and, aged only 20, won the German championship with VfB. In 2009, he was the captain of the U-21 European Championship winners and won the 2014 World Cup with Germany. At Real Madrid, he celebrated triumphs in the Spanish championship and the Champions League, at Juventus Turin, he has won five Italian league championships. He has therefore won the national league championships in three different countries. He returned to the Bundesliga in February 2021 and contributes his experience to the Hertha BSC team.

Born in Stuttgart, he has been engaged for years in junior and youth development programmes. For his work with disadvantaged and sick children as a part of the "Sami Khedira Stiftung" foundation, he received the Order of Merit of the state of Baden-Württemberg in 2016. "I had a wonderful childhood but I also know that there are children in my home city and region that don't have the same chances and same luck as I did," says Khedira, "It's why I therefore think it's very good and important the way in which Porsche supports talented youngsters and gives children and youths the opportunity to develop personally via sport."

## Personal details

**Date of Birth:** April 4th 1987

**Place of Birth:** Stuttgart

**Nationality:** German

**Residence:** Berlin (Germany)

**Height:** 189 cm

**Foot:** Right

**International caps:** 77

**Start of professional career:** 2007

**Hobbies:** Family, friends, travelling and reading

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