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Since 2007 Thomas Becker holds the position Vice President Governmental and External Affairs at the BMW Group in Munich. In his position he supervises the worldwide representation of BMW Group's political interests, oversees the company's approach to integrate political topics into the product and business communication of the BMW Group, and steers the sustainability communication of the company.

Thomas Becker started his career as a Consultant in the department of environmental policy at the Association of the German Industry (BDI) in Berlin. He later held several leadership positions at the Association of the Automobile Industry (VDA) in Frankfurt. Before his current role at the BMW Group, he held the position of Deputy Managing Director of the VDA with responsibility for the co-management of the association. Thomas Becker also served as a reserve officer with the rank of Captain from 1988 until 2003 for the German military.

Thomas Becker received his PhD degree (Dr. rer. pol.) with Professor Dr. Ekkehard Kappler at the Reinhard-Mohn foundation chair for management, economics, and social evolution at the University of Witten / Herdecke with magna cum laude. Thomas Becker also holds a diploma in economics from the University of Cologne.