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Date of Birth

16.03.1950

Last Position

CEO Nematik Europe and Asia/Pacific
Managing Director of Nematik Europe GmbH

Education

Graduate Engineer for Foundry Technology and Material Science

Foreign Languages

English, business fluent in written and spoken English

French, business fluent in spoken, profound knowledge in written French

Career

- 1964-1967 Apprenticeship as a moulder for bronze art sculptures
- 1967-1971 further education to achieve university entrance qualification / studies at a university

Professional Experience

- 1971-1973 Head of Department of the iron foundry at Bopp & Reuther GmbH Mannheim, Germany
- 1973-1976 Scientist in the Research- and Development Department of Mahle GmbH Stuttgart, Germany
- 1976-1978 Head of Production of the aluminium wheel production foundry of Mahle GmbH in Markgröningen, Germany
- 1978-1980 Project Manager Aluminium Castings at +GF+ Mettmann, Germany
- 1980-1983 Plant Manager of the aluminium-wheel-foundry of BBS in Soultzmatt, France
- 1983-1986 Head of Business Area Forgings & Castings at Aluteam Mayen, Germany
- 1986-1991 Managing Director at Kloth Senking Metal Foundry in Hildesheim, Germany
- 1991- *) Project Manager Sigma Project at Eisenwerk Brühl in Dillingen, Germany
- 1993- *) Managing Director (chairman) at VAW Alucast GmbH in Dillingen, Germany
- 1998- *) Senior Vice President, Head at Business Unit Castings of Hydro Aluminium
- 2007- *) CEO Europe / Asia-Pacific, Managing Director of Nematik Europe GmbH
- 2009

**) Brühl was acquired by VAW, VAW was acquired by Hydro Aluminium, Business Unit Castings of Norsk Hydro was acquired by Alfa Group in Monterrey.*

