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Born in Gmunden, Austria  
Swiss Residence Permit: C  
Separated, 1 daughter



## Key Qualification

Over 20 years of management experience in technical headquarters of worldwide market-leading companies, with extensive international travel experience. Initial focus on comminution system optimisation, design and commissioning considering Lean Management and Six Sigma approaches. I like to lead and work in teams, having:

- Strong analytical, technical and problem-solving skills with business acumen
- Strong people development and mentoring capabilities
- Multi-cultural and multi-functional experiences
- strong commitment to health and safety and security rules and standards
- Broad technical and business experience

01/14 – today

### **Lead Engineer Grinding Technology Holcim Technology Ltd.**

[www.lafargeholcim.com](http://www.lafargeholcim.com)

- Project manager "Ball Mill Initiative", bmi Initiative, with extension to Lafarge plants
- Leading international and internal teams on performance improvement projects and tasks
- Successful implementation of separate grinding and mixing of cement in a plant with a cement factor reduction of 7%-points gaining more than USD 3 mio/a in a sold-out market by cement volume increase.
- Project team support for green/brown field cement plants related to grinding systems (raw, coal and cement) Supplier negotiations and technical consultancy with main cement suppliers (e.g.: ThyssenKrupp Industrial Service, Loesche, FLSmidth, KHD, Gebrüder Pfeiffer...)
- Project responsible for critical mill wear parts within Holcim group for VRM's, Roller Presses and Ball Mills (Member of the respective procurement categories) Negotiations and technical consultancy (e.g. Magotteaux, Vega AIA, Toyo, Welding Alloys, Castoline)
- Development of group tools and standards for the internal plant cement grinding performance evaluation (bmi reporting) as well as plant electrical energy consumption evaluation of all departments for the management reporting and CMPR reporting (Cement Manufacturing Performance Report).
- Leading international expert turntables with proven group benefit of > CHF 50 mio
- Successfully coached teams and improved plants during the SATF (Synergy Acceleration Task Force) and TPP (Top Priority Plants) projects in Nigeria, Algeria, Canada and Egypt.

01/09 – 12/13

### **Senior Engineer Grinding Technology Holcim Technology Ltd.**

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- Initiator and leader of the "Ball Mill Initiative". Within Holcim contributing with >200 mio CHF to the company benefit during the group Leadership Journey from 2012 until 2014
- Grinding system optimisations (combined grinding systems, high pressure grinding systems, vertical roller mills, ball mills)

- Project support for green/brown field cement plants
- Supplier negotiations and technical consultancy with main cement suppliers (e.g.: ThyssenKrupp Industrial Service, Loesche, FLSmidth, KHD, Gebrüder Pfeiffer...)
- Responsible for critical mill wear parts within Holcim for VRM's, Roller Presses and Ball Mills (Member of the respective procurement categories)  
Negotiations and technical consultancy (e.g. Magotteaux, Vega AIA, Toyo, Welding Alloys, Castoline)
- Training and coaching of people in various courses (grinding equipment e.g. ball mills, vertical mills, roller presses, wear parts management and strategies) and seminars on topics related to grinding process optimisations, in English and French
- Involvement in various Due Diligence projects worldwide
- Innovation projects lead in close cooperation with equipment suppliers to develop new mills (>10 MW) with successful installation in Brazil, the world biggest cement mill with 12 MW Multi-Drive Installation.

11/04 – 12/08

**Senior Process Engineer**  
**OMYA S.A.S, Engineering Office Orgon, Southern France**

[www.omya.com](http://www.omya.com)

- Successful commissioning of plants in Spain, Morocco, Egypt and Turkey
- implementation of a new drying and coating process for the GCC ground calcium carbonate industry. Technically lead, installed and commissioned.
- Optimisation of existing plants (from quarry to dispatch)
- Competence Group Leader Coating Process - Responsible for coated GCC products development and process design
- Classifier developments in cooperation with the Technical Office Gummern and pilot plant in France

11/98 – 11/04

**Process & Sales Engineer**  
**PMT Jetmill GmbH, Leoben/Austria**

[www.powder-maker.com](http://www.powder-maker.com)

- Classifier development for finest industrial mineral products below 5 microns d97
- Worldwide sales responsibility jet mills and classifier
- Commissioning of own grinding and classifying equipment in the mineral industry

- Implementation of a sales office in US including market development
- Responsible for the pilot station for test and customer grinding projects

## Professional Development

Course / Seminar	Organizer	Duration (days)
Cement Manufacturing Course	Holcim	20
Holcim Accounting and Reporting	Holcim	3
Leading without leadership responsibility	Allegro Management	5
OH&S Awareness	Holcim	3/a
IOSH	Safety4 Business	6
Management Seminar	Duke Corporation	5 + 6m project
Finance for Non-Financials	Controlling Partner St. Gallen	3

## Education

1987 to 1998	<p>Studied at the Montanuniversität Leoben, Austria (Mining University)</p> <p>Branch: Stone and Earths (related to the following industries: glass, ceramic, refractories, cement industry), Mineral Processing</p> <p>Graduation: Diplom Ingenieur / Master of Science</p>
1982 - 1987	<p>Höhere Technische Lehranstalt Vöcklabruck, Austria</p> <p>College Graduation in Mechanical Engineering and Business Administration</p>

## Languages

German	Native language
English	fluent
French	fluent