



## **Profile**

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### **Education:**

University of Hertfordshire (1994-98)

Fachhochschule Esslingen (ERASMUS Exchange 1995-97)



### **Areas of Specialisation:**

- Certified Process Auditor and trainer for VDA6.3 and VDA6.5
- Certified 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> Party System Auditor for IATF 16949
- Trainer for DIN EN ISO 19011
- Certified Auditor for AIAG Special Processes CQI-9, CQI-11, CQI-12, CQI-15, CQI-17, CQI-23, CQI25
- VW-Formel-Q Audits
- Certified Product Safety and Conformity Representative (PSCR)
- Certified KAIZEN Practitioner with intention to achieve KAIZEN Coach status (planned for Q2 2020)
- Establishing robust internal systems for supplier management departments
- 8D-Evaluation and training for suppliers
- Statistical process control and process capability studies
- Poke-Yoke Solutions
- 5 x Why, PDCA and Ishikawa methods



- Supply Chain Management including:
  - Implementation, tracking and monitoring of APQP in development projects up to production release
  - Leading interdisciplinary quality planning teams
  - Creation of inspection plans and carrying out measurement systems analyses (methods 1 and 2) according to VDA5
  - Planning, execution and tracking of process audits for VDA6.3
  - Analysis of quality problems and development of improvement programmes for problematic suppliers
  - Using VDA2 to carry out PPF Process
  - Moderation of supplier development workshops
- Linguistic and intercultural competencies in German and Japanese
- Technical translations

**Languages:**

- English (native speaker)
- German (fluent)
- Japanese (good)
- French (good)
- Portuguese (Basic)

**Software:**

- MS-Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Project, Access, Outlook, Visio)
- Autodesk ACAD
- SAP
- QS-STAT
- IQS

**Personal Strengths:**

- Broad competencies in all aspects of Quality Management
- Experienced auditor for VDA6.3 and IATF 16949
- Certified Product Conformity and Safety Representative (PSCR)
- KAIZEN-Practitioner
- Logical and systematic approach
- Able to manage difficult situations
- Intercultural competencies in German and Japanese
- Extensive knowledge of all current automotive standards
- Able to work worldwide
- Competent and reliable
- High quality management reports and presentations



## **Selected Major Projects**

### **Visteon Electronics Europe, Karlsruhe**

- **Managed** APQP activities for electronic components (circuit boards, passive and active components) and plastic parts (cockpit modules and glass) according to AIAG guidelines.
- **Implemented** supplier development strategy including APQP and PPAP processes.
- **Carried out** process audits to VDA6.3 and process acceptance at suppliers
- **Processed** escalated supplier rejections from sister plants in Europe.
- **Managed** a group in the purchasing department with responsibility for staff on interim basis.
- **Trained and mentored** co-auditors.

### **Hanon Systems Germany, Kerpen**

- **Managed** suppliers for HVAC, Exhaust and Turbocharger components
- **Integrated** more than 50 new suppliers into the existing supplier management structure and successfully achieved MRD
- **Led** drawing reviews and feasibility studies for plastic injection mouldings and stamped parts
- **Carried out** project planning for capacity expansion of a complex assembly line and ensured capacity verification using run-at-rate methods
- **Audited** (VDA6.3) electrical and electronic component manufacturing processes
- **Benchmarked** competitors' organisational structures in purchasing and supplier management.

### **AMG GMBH, Affalterbach**

- **Supported** AMG with sorting out quality problems on-site at problematic suppliers, achieving an overall reduction in visual defects.
- **Managed** process improvements including installation and release of injection moulding equipment.
- **Led** daily and weekly conference calls between customer and supplier. Including reporting to the senior purchasing management at the customer.
- **Carried out** potential analyses and process audits to VDA6.3 at suppliers in Italy and Hungary.
- **Created** process descriptions for purchasing and quality activities for a new project intended to be launched in 2021.

### **TopQM Systems GMBH, Mosbach**

- **Supported** customers in Germany and Czech Republic with preparation for process audits.
- **Training** of process auditors to VDA6.3 in Germany, USA and Mexico for customers Bosch, Mahle, TÜV Süd, Continental, Aptiv (formerly Delphi), NSK and Kern-Liebers.
- **Presentation** of information seminars for ISO 19011 and IATF 16949 in USA, Mexico and Finland
- **Carried out** of process audits on behalf of third-party clients in pressure die casting and plastic injection moulding sectors.



## **Other Projects:**

### **Carlex Glass SA, Grevenmacher (L)**

- Analysis of failure data from external service providers and comparison with internal failure rates for windscreens
- Identification of possible sources of contamination in the plant
- Strengthening of 8D methods in the plant and to the OEM
- Introduction of 5S-methods in the plant
- Improvement to communications between Quality, Production and Logistics
- Standardisation of reporting between operational departments

### **GETRAG Ford Transmissions, Cologne**

- Supplier management for gearbox components (stamped forged and turned parts)
- Production planning and release using VDA2
- Supplier audits using VDA6.3
- Training of junior auditors
- Introduced new methods of controlling special characteristics in drawings.

## **Employment history**

### **11/2013 – 04/2014 IHI Charging Systems International**

- Supplier management for turbocharger components (aluminium pressure die-casting and machining, turned parts)
- Production planning and release using VDA2
- Introduction of new supplier management processes to improve supplier selection.
- Introduced new methods of controlling special characteristics in drawings.
- Assisted in department re-structuring and task reassignment.

### **10/2011 – 10/2013 Supplier Development engineer, BorgWarner Drivetrain Systems Ketsch**

- New part introduction of from Alpha prototypes to series production.
- Assured the quality, costs and delivery of prototype parts.
- Cost reduction programme for supplied parts.

### **08/1999 – 09/2011 Supplier Quality Engineer, Robert Bosch Homburg**

- Assured that suppliers in the USA and Brazil met the new quality requirements for purchased parts
- Main contact for quality issues between manufacturing and purchasing in Germany and engineering in Brazil relating to Unit Pump components
- Managed projects for the introduction of new parts and suppliers from sample stage to series release
- Supplier audits using VDA6.3

### **02/2009 – 05/2009 Overseas assignment to Bosch Diesel KK, Higashimatsuyama Japan**

- Improved communication between German suppliers and Japanese design department for Common Rail pump 5<sup>th</sup> generation
- Supported ramp-up phase for Common Rail pump 5<sup>th</sup> generation from prototype stage to series release



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- Assisted project managers, commodity purchasing and engineering to resolve diverse quality issues with Japanese suppliers
- Used Japanese language and intercultural skills to assist communication between Japanese suppliers and purchasing department in Homburg