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WORK EXPERIENCE

05/2020 – current – Moedling, Austria

Retired and independent advisor for “Sustainable Finance” and “sustainability”
Teacher at “Fachhochschulen/collages”, speaker and presenter on the subject “sustainability”

02/2016 – 04/2020 – Vienna, Austria

HEAD OF GROUP SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE – Erste Group Bank AG

As a B-1 Manager on Holding level, main responsibilities setting standards/policies and implementation in the area environmental protection, corporate volunteering, sustainable finance and ESG/CSR in general for Erste Group. Development and implementation of the reporting system on non-financial data (NFI-Report)

01/2011 – 01/2016 – Vienna, Austria

HEAD OF GROUP ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT – Erste Group Bank AG

Building up a new unit within Erste Group to implement ecological sustainability. Develop and implement an environmental policy for Erste Group including a reporting system on ecological data.

05/2010 – 12/2010 – Vienna, Austria

DEPUTY HEAD OF PARTICIPATION & INVESTMENTS – Erste Group Bank AG

Development of investment strategies including responsibilities for mergers and acquisitions (e.g. restructuring of Erste Group's factoring business)

09/2007 – 04/2010 – Vienna, Austria

DEPUTY HEAD OF STRATEGIC GROUP DEVELOPMENT – Erste Group Bank AG

Main Task was the restructuring of Erste's bancassurance business. Heading the sale process of Erste's insurance business to VIG Vienna Insurance Group including a long-lasting cooperation agreement between VIG and Erste Group. (transaction value was EUR 1.5bn)

01/2002 – 08/2007 – Vienna, Austria

HEAD OF INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS – Sparkassen Versicherung AG

S Versicherung was a subsidiary of Erste Group. Responsibility to extend the business beyond the Austrian market to all markets Erste Group was present in.
(setting up local life insurance companies in CZ, SK, HU, CR, RO, SRB)

09/1999 – 12/2001 – Vienna, Austria

CO-HEAD OF ACQUISITION AND INTEGRATION OF CESKA SPORITELNY – Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen Bank AG / Erste Group Bank AG

Co-head of the acquisition process for Ceska sporitelna (performing a due diligence process running the negotiations with the Czech Ministry of Finance) and running the integration of CS into Erste Group.

08/1994 – 08/1999 – Vienna, Austria

ASSISTANT TO THE MANAGEMENT BOARD of Erste Bank der oesterreichischen Sparkassen
Responsible for the acquisition of some Austrian Savings Banks (e.g. Salzburger Sparkasse) and the planned merger with CA-BV. Project manager for the acquisition and merger with GiroCredit. Liaison-officer to the strategic shareholders of Erste Bank (Swedbank, Commerzbank, ...).

04/1989 – 07/1994 – Vienna, Austria

HEAD OF SAVINGS BANKS DEPARTMENT – GiroCredit Bank der Sparkassen AG
Restructuring the business with the Austrian Savings Banks. Project Manager for some acquisitions of local Savings Banks

12/1982 – 03/1989 – Vienna, Austria

ASSISTANT TO THE MANAGEMENT BOARD – Girozentrale/GiroCredit Bank Aktiengesellschaft der Sparkassen
meeting preparation, project manager (e.g. replacement of typewriters by electronic office equipment)

09/1978 – 08/1982 – Moedling, Austria

ASSISTANT TEACHER – Höhere Technische Bundes-, Lehr- und Versuchsanstalt Mödling a part-time job to finance my study at the University of Vienna

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2013 – 2014

Certified Project Manager Professional (PMP) - not renewed since 2018

2014 – 2015

Certified Environmental Manager – TÜV Austria

1977 – 1982

Master of Economics – University of Vienna

1971 – 1976

Ingenieur – Höhere Technische Bundes-, Lehr- und Versuchsanstalt Mödling (Mechanical Engineering)

1982 – 2020

different managerial trainings as part of my career development – various in-house trainings organized by Erste Group Bank and trainings from external providers

NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS

2009 – current

Member of the Rotary Club Mödling, Schlossgasse 6, 2344 Maria Enzersdorf, Austria

2005 – current

member of the parish council of the roman catholic church "Pfarre Maria Enzersdorf - Zum Heiligen Geist", 2344 Maria Enzersdorf, Theissplatz 1, Austria

2014 – 2020

Member of the ESGB (European Savings Bank Group) - Sustainable Development Committee, Brussels

2016 – current

Member of Erste Responsible Advisory Board (Erste Asset Management GmbH), Am Belvedere 1, 1100 Vienna, Austria

2015 – current

Member of the Advisory Board of the "Erste WWF Stock Environment" an Investment fond of Erste Asset Management.

2021 – current

Member of ASEP – Austrian Senior Experts Pool, Am Getreidemarkt 14/3/23, 1010 Vienna, Austria

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Two highlights out of many events:

25/08/2019 – 26/08/2019 – Alpbach Tyrol, Austria

Forum Alpbach - High-level Retreat - Promoting the SDGs in Europe

I was invited to join a panel discussion at the Forum Alpbach organized by the Ban Ki-moon Centre on the topic "Future Perspectives on the SDGs in Austria" together with Mr Ban Ki-moon/UNSG, Federal Minister Alexander Schallenberg, Mirjam Sick, Jeffrey Sachs, Günther Bachmann, Antonella Mei-Pochtler

26/09/2018 – 26/09/2018 – EESC, Rue Beilliard 99, 1040 Brussels

European Economic and Social Committee

invited to join a panel discussion as expert on sustainable finance